

*Proprietary
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REPORTS

OF THE

TOWN OFFICERS

FOR THE

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FOR THE

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TOWN OFFICERS FOR THE YEAR 1888-1889.

Selectmen and Overseers of the Poor.

ARTHUR N. CRAM. JULIUS GUILD. SAMUEL BIRD.

Assessors.

DAVID FISHER. N. W. FISHER. PORTER S. BOYDEN.

Town Clerk.

GEORGE. P. MOREY.

Town Treasurer.

FRANK O. PILSBURY.

Collector of Taxes.

NATHAN A. COBB.

Surveyors of Highways.

DAVID FISHER. EDWIN EVERETT. PATRICK RIORDAN,
IRA FISHER. NATHAN A. COBB. E. L. SHEPARD.

School Committee.

CHARLES S. BIRD,	Term expires	-	1889.
FREDERIC GUILD,	" "	-	1889.
MYRON H. PIPER,	" "	-	1890.
ALTON H. KIMBALL, [Resigned.]			
HERBERT M. PLIMPTON, Term expires	-	1889.	
To fill vacancy.			
ELBRIDGE P. BOYDEN, Term expires	-	1891.	
ROBERT S. GRAY,	" "	-	1891.

Trustees of the Public Library.

MARY R. BIRD,	Term expires	-	1889.
FRANK O. PILSBURY,	" "	-	1889.
WILLARD I. LEWIS,	" "	-	1890.
ROBERT S. GRAY,	" "	-	1890.
MARION H. PICKERING,	" "	-	1891.
NATHAN W. FISHER,	" "	-	1891.

Constables.

JOHN B. ROONEY. THOMAS M. CROWLEY. RICHARD WALSH.

Fence Viewers.

N. B. WILMARHT. JEREMIAH C. HARTSHORN. N. C. FISHER.

Field Drivers.

T. F. MAGUIRE.	HARRISON H. CHILD.	FRANK W. KENDALL.
C. FREDERIC HARTSHORN.	CHAS. H. BILLINGS.	HENRY E. BONNEY.

Surveyors of Lumber.

JOSEPH WHITEHOUSE. A. N. CLARKE. H. E. BONNEY.

Measurers of Wood and Bark.

EDSON C. BOYDEN. PERCY E. TISDALE. D. P. BIRD.
DAVID FISHER. LEWIS L. BOWKER. ALTON N. CLARKE.

Sealer of Weights and Measures.

DANIEL P. BIRD.

Auditors.

M. C. MURPHY. F. H. FOWLER. EUGENE THOMAS.

Registrars of Voters.

Appointed by the Selectmen in March or April.

JOHN A. WAY, - Term expires - 1889.
WILLIAM A. JEPSON, " " - 1890.
JAMES G. HARTSHORN, " " - 1891.
GEORGE P. MOREY, Town Clerk (*ex-officio*).

Engineers of the Fire Department.

Appointed by the Selectmen in April.

CHARLES FALES. H. N. LEWIS. FRANK N. GAY.

Forest Firewards.

Appointed by the Selectmen in March or April.

CHARLES FALES. H. N. LEWIS. FRANK N. GAY.

Undertakers.

Licensed by the Board of Health on or before July 1.

NAAMAN B. WILMARTH. NATHAN A. COBB.

Auctioneers.

Licensed by the Selectmen.

SYLVANUS W. HARTSHORN. NATHAN A. COBB.
JAMES P. TISDALE. JOHN B. ROONEY.

APPROPRIATIONS FOR 1888.

Support of schools: salaries, care of school-houses, and superintendence,	\$8,000	00
Supplies and incidentals for schools	-	550 00
Repairs of school-houses	-	250 00
" " highways and bridges	-	3000 00
Support of poor at Almshouse	-	1300 00
" " "out of "	-	1800 00
Fire department	-	500 00
Town Hall	-	400 00
Notes and interest	-	3100 00
Public Library	-	550 00
Post 157, G. A. R.	-	100 00
Printing and stationery	-	250 00
Miscellaneous	-	2500 00
Town Officers	-	800 00
East school-house	-	2800 00
Fire Alarm	-	100 00
Town Cemetery	-	200 00
Street Lamps	-	300 00
Police	-	300 00
State Tax	-	1980 00
County Tax	-	1015 10
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		\$29,795 10

SELECTMEN'S REPORT.

We herewith submit a report of the expenditures for the year ending December 31, 1888, together with a statement showing the standing of each appropriation on that date, and we ask your careful perusal and consideration of the same.

SUPPORT OF SCHOOLS.

TEACHERS' SALARIES.

Helen R. Stanley,	40 weeks, at \$10 00	400 00
Mabel A. Jepson,	40 " " 9 00	360 00
Lizzie P. Bird,	24 weeks at 9 00	216 00
" " "	11 " 10 00	110 00
Cora M. Chamberlain,	24 weeks at 9 00	216 00
Ellen M. Duffield,	12 " " 8 00	96 00
Ellen A. Hartshorn,	40 " " 9 00	360 00
Lizzie Evans,	40 " " 9 00	360 00
Ellen B. Marsh,	8 " " 8 00	64 00
A. Marion Dow,	16 weeks at 9 00	144 00
" " "	13 " 10 00	130 00
Annie G. Carpenter,	8 weeks at 10 00	80 00
Annie M. Keene,	3 " " 9 00	27 00
Amy L. Boyden,	40 " " 12 50	500 00
Lena F. Adams,	40 " " 10 00	400 00
Grace D. Parker,	12 weeks at 8 00	96 00
" " "	16 " 9 00	144 00
Annie M. Bird,	40 weeks at 10 00	400 00
Anna M. Rhodes,	16 weeks, at 4 50	72 00
Harriet E. Hutchinson,	40 " " 12 50	500 00
Frank W. Kendall,	40 " " 25 00	1000 00
Emily W. Chamberlain, Assistant	-	46 00

\$5721 00

SUPERINTENDENCE.

G. H. Danforth, 6 months, at \$70 00 -	\$420 00
G. H. Danforth, 4 " " 90 00 -	360 00
Order 369. Town of Medfield (tuition)	35 00
" 653. " " " " " -	8 25
" 678. " " Dedham " -	178 50
	—————
	\$1001 75

CARE OF SCHOOL-HOUSES.

A. D. Willett,	40 weeks at \$11 25	\$450 00
Harry A. Bullard, 40 "	1 75	70 00
Edson C. Boyden, 40 "	1 75	70 00
D. F. O'Brien, 40 "	75	30 00
" " extra labor -	-	2 16
Mary Smith, 24 weeks at	1 75	42 00
Edwin Evans, 11 " " 2 50		27 50
Mrs. Donavan, cleaning north	-	6 00
	—————	
		\$697 66

FUEL FOR SCHOOLS.

Order 31. David Fisher - - -	\$4 50
" 115. David O'Brien - - -	6 00
" 147. David Fisher - - -	6 50
" 148. " " - - -	63 43
" 149. Edwin Evans - - -	2 00
" 350. N. W. Fisher - - -	24 00
" 368. David Fisher - - -	165 22
" 453. " " - - -	26 00
" 454. " " - - -	26 39
" 455. Richard Morse - - -	4 50
" 520. David O'Brien - - -	21 75
" 550. David Fisher - - -	93 75
" 654. " " - - -	39 00
" 655. " " - - -	78 77
	—————
	\$561 81

STATEMENT.

Receipts.

Appropriation	-	-	-	\$8000 00
Income School Fund	-	-	-	178 03
Dog Tax	-	-	-	347 54

\$8525 57

Expenditures.

Teachers' salaries	-	-	-	\$5721 00
Care of school-houses	-	-	-	697 66
Fuel for schools	-	-	-	561 81
Superintendent	-	-	-	780 00
Order 369. Town of Medfield (tuition)				35 00
" 653. " " "				8 25
" 678. " " Dedham "				178 50

\$7982 22

Balance unexpended Dec. 31, 1888	-	-	-	\$543 35
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REPAIRS OF SCHOOL-HOUSES.

Order 55. Exeter Machine Works	-	\$51 37
" 146. M. W. Allen	-	2 28
" 169. A. N. Clark	-	8 00
" 384. Walworth Mfg. Co.	-	2 80
" 385. A. D. Willett	-	35 00
" 386. Chas. O. Hall	-	33 83
" 387. W. A. Cleveland	-	7 00
" 451. Smith & Anthony Stove Co.	-	45 00
" 650. A. D. Willett	-	10 00
" 651. Jesse Gay	-	50
" 652. H. C. Briggs	-	1 75
" 383. Carter, Rice & Co.	-	10 20
" 549. A. D. Willett	-	2 95

\$210 68

STATEMENT.

Receipts.

Appropriation	- - - -	\$250 00
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Expenditures.

Sundries as per statement	- -	210 68
Balance unexpended Dec 31, 1888	-	<u>39 32</u>

SUPPLIES AND INCIDENTALS FOR SCHOOLS.

Order	25.	Adams Express Co.	-	-	\$3 05
"	26.	Ginn & Co.	-	-	2 67
"	27.	Van Antwerp, Bragg & Co.			2 52
"	30.	H. A. Lewis	-	-	1 00
"	56.	Geo. S. Perry	-	-	9 38
"	57.	Cyclostyle Co.	-	-	4 10
"	58.	Weeks & Potter	-	-	65
"	142.	Willard Small	-	-	7 50
"	143.	Geo. S. Perry	-	-	51 25
"	144.	Hallett, Davis & Co.	-		24 00
"	145.	Silver Rogers & Co.	-		1 57
"	201.	Dennison Mfg. Co.	-	-	1 05
"	206.	Carter, Rice & Co.	-	-	3 75
"	202.	G. H. Danforth	-	-	8 54
"	203.	H. A. Lewis	-	-	75
"	204.	F. O. Pilsbury	-	-	1 91
"	205.	Prang Educational Co.	-		2 40
"	276.	T. A. Barrett	-	-	1 25
"	278.	H. A. Spear, Jr.	-	-	4 15
"	279.	Plimpton Bros.	-	-	30
"	281.	J. H. Daniels	-	-	6 50
"	282.	Arthur S. Allen	-	-	10 00
"	283.	F. H. Fowler	-	-	2 39
"	284.	D. P. Bird	-	-	15
"	285.	H. N. Lewis	-	-	1 16
"	280.	Prang Educational Co.	-		5 67
"	370.	Paul A. Garey & Co.	-		2 50
"	371.	T. O. Metcalf & Co.	-		2 38
<i>Amount carried forward</i>					\$162 54

	<i>Amount brought forward,</i>	.	\$162 54
" 372.	A. S. Barnes & Co.	-	2 50
" 373.	A. M. Edwards & Co.	-	5 00
" 374.	D. C. Heath & Co.	-	3 75
" 375.	D. Appleton & Co.	-	7 00
" 376.	Clark & Maynard	-	1 68
" 377.	Ginn & Co.	-	7 70
" 378.	Van Antwerp, Bragg & Co.	-	1 34
" 379.	Harper & Bros.	-	2 25
" 380.	Hollingsworth & Vose	-	5 51
" 381.	J. W. Staniford & Co.	-	3 30
" 382.	Geo. S. Perry	-	68 15
" 403.	F. O. Pilsbury	-	2 75
" 401.	Harper & Bros.	-	2 88
" 402.	Hallett, Davis & Co.	-	30 00
" 404.	Cyclostyle Co.	-	7 10
" 457.	John Power	-	1 85
" 458.	Crosby & Barton	-	4 20
" 456.	Geo. S. Perry	-	18 55
" 459.	Willard Small	-	15 35
" 540.	Hallett, Davis & Co.	-	15 00
" 541.	Carter, Rice & Co.	-	4 25
" 542.	Bay State Pub. Co.	-	12 80
" 543.	Geo. S. Perry	-	58 27
" 544.	H. A. Spear, Jr.	-	13 51
" 545.	J. C. Haynes & Co.	-	1 50
" 546.	Plimpton Bros.	-	5 59
" 547.	W. Lewis & Co., Agents	-	50
" 548.	F. W. Kendall	-	1 85
" 656.	Wm. Ware & Co.	-	20 00
" 657.	Ivison, Blakeman & Co.	-	75
" 658.	A. C. Stockin	-	16 20
" 659.	A. Lovell & Co.	-	10 00
" 660.	Norfolk Pub. Co.	-	1 50
" 661.	H. N. Lewis	-	1 15
" 662.	Frank O. Pilsbury	-	1 45
" 663.	E. Winslow	-	11 50
" 664.	G. H. Danforth	-	11 35
" 665.	George S. Perry	-	7 50

STATEMENT.

Receipts.

Appropriation	- - - - -	550 00
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Expenditures.

Sundries as per statement	- - - - -	548 07
Balance unexpended Dec. 31, 1888	-	<u>1 93</u>

SUPPORT OF POOR AT ALMSHOUSE.

Order 62.	Julius Guild, wood	-	\$5 00
" 59.	H. N. Lewis, supplies	-	31 66
" 64.	Geo. P. Chapin, cash, Mary Ring	- - - - -	3 75
" 74.	Plimpton Bros., supplies	-	11 09
" 98.	Geo. P. Chapin, 3 mos. salary,	100 00	
" 153.	H. N. Lewis, supplies	-	33 14
" 159.	G. H. French, M. D. attend'ce,	3 75	
" 161.	Julius Guild, 4 cords wood	-	20 00
" 164.	Plimpton Bros., supplies	-	11 73
" 255.	Chas. H. Hartshorn, supplies,	108 08	
" 257.	G. H. French, M. D., attend'ce,	17 25	
" 259.	H. N. Lewis, supplies	-	29 65
" 218.	Geo. P. Chapin, 3 mos. salary,	100 00	
" 263.	David Fisher, labor	-	7 05
" 293.	Plimpton Bros., supplies	-	23 93
" 296.	Geo. P. Chapin, sundry expenses	- - - - -	6 00
" 308.	Julius Guild, labor	- - -	6 52
" 315.	David Fisher, coal	- - -	66 04
" 321.	H. N. Lewis, supplies	-	20 76
" 324.	N. B. Wilmarth, burial John Grant	- - - - -	21 25
" 325.	N. B. Wilmarth, burial Wm. Daniel	- - - - -	22 50
" 352.	Geo. P. Chapin, 3 mos. salary,	100 00	
<i>Amount carried forward,</i>			\$749 15

	<i>Amount brought forward,</i>	\$749 15
" 351.	F. O. Pilsbury, supplies	2 15
" 316.	Jason Lewis, labor - -	2 25
" 364.	E. C. Norton M. D., attendance	8 00
" 397.	Plimpton Bros., supplies -	18 49
" 446.	H. N. Lewis, " -	26 43
" 474.	James Smith, clothes -	4 00
" 552.	H. N. Lewis, supplies -	9 00
" 527.	H. A. Spear, " -	12 78
" 601.	Geo. P. Chapin, services to January 1, 1889 -	100 00
" 631.	Plimpton Bros., supplies -	26 68
" 634.	F. O. Pilsbury, " -	50
" 639.	H. N. Lewis, " -	16 99
" 649.	Chas. H. Hartshorn, " -	79 65
" 670.	Fisher Guild, " -	9 45

		\$1,065 52

REPAIRS AT ALMSHOUSE.

Order 110.	Wm. Mahoney, repairing lounge - - -	\$10 00
" 250.	Geo. P. Chapin, blinds, etc. -	5 84
" 261.	Warren H. Merrill, painting buildings - - -	130 00
" 262.	Warren H. Merrill, painting buildings - - -	40 00
" 328.	Chas. O. Hall, inside painting and papering - -	16 65
" 266.	M. W. Allen, inside repairs -	5 21
" 533.	T. A. Barrett " -	7 25

		214 95

		\$1,280 47

STATEMENT.

Receipts.

Appropriation - - - - -	\$1300 00
Geo. P. Chapin, sale of produce - - -	159 00
A. N. Cram, sale of mdse. - - -	7 00
Estate of N. Bird, board of Mary Bird -	112 50
Commonwealth of Massachusetts -	14.00
" " "	16 00
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	\$1,608 50

Expenditures.

Sundries, as per statement - - - - -	\$1,280 47
Balance unexpended Dec. 31, 1888, - - - - -	\$328 03

HIGHWAYS.

Order 70. David Fisher, highways -	\$10 10
" 109. J. J. Holeran, culverts -	3 25
" 29. Simon Gould, highways -	4 50
" 101. George E. Gay, " -	3 25
" 113. N. C. Fisher, " -	7 00
" 118. Stetson, Moseley & Co., bridges	75 58
" 152. Patrick Riordan, highways	115 53
" 155. E. L. Shepard, " -	105 50
" 158. M. W. Allen, bridges -	9 25
" 160. Edwin Everett, highways -	262 70
" 167. Ira Fisher, " -	159 37
" 194. David Fisher, culverts -	33 45
" 195. " " highways -	394 23
" 196. N. A. Cobb, " -	323 64
" 208. E. L. Shepard, " -	17 45
" 215. M. W. Allen, bridges -	69 56
" 245. Chas. H. Billings, bridges -	88
" 246. N. Y. & N. E. R. R. Co., bridges, freight - - -	3 56
" 247. Patrick Riordan, bridges -	53 50
<i>Amount carried forward,</i>	<i>\$1652 30</i>

	<i>Amount brought forward,</i>	.	\$1652 30
" 298.	M. W. Allen,	"	5 94
" 326.	N. A. Cobb, highways	-	48 01
" 327.	" bridges	-	61 80
" 329.	David W. Lewis, culverts	-	34 98
" 353.	N. Y. & N. E. R. R. Co.,		
	culverts - - - -		2 50
" 330.	Patrick Riordan, culverts	-	39 83
" 391.	J. H. Tobin, "	-	8 00
" 392.	A. N. Cram, Wm. Hennessey and others, culverts	-	42 00
" 393.	David Fisher, highways	-	96 80
" 406.	Patrick Riordan, culverts	-	6 00
" 407.	A. N. Cram, Wm. Hennessey and others, culverts	-	21 00
" 410.	David W. Lewis, culverts	-	28 60
" 411.	Patrick Riordan, highways	-	161 50
" 433.	A. N. Cram, Wm. Hennessey and others, culverts	-	35 00
" 434.	E. L. Shepard, highways	-	76 81
" 435.	Edwin Everett, "		184 50
" 443.	Wm. Hennessey, culverts	-	12 00
" 444.	John Crossley, "	-	15 00
" 448.	Ira Fisher, highways	-	214 99
" 452.	H. A. Spear, jr., highways		78
" 466.	D. W. Lewis, culverts	-	74 97
" 467.	David Fisher, highways	-	104 15
" 469.	Wm. Hennessey, culverts	-	12 00
" 470.	John Crossley, "	-	7 50
" 481.	Patrick Riordan, "	-	6 00
" 482.	" " highways	-	73 25
" 513.	Ira Fisher, "	-	37 00
" 534.	E. L. Shepard, culverts	-	3 50
" 535.	N. A. Cobb, highways	-	51 46
" 538.	Wm. Hennessey, culverts	-	17 00
" 602.	N. A. Cobb, highways	-	12 52
" 611.	Edwin Everett, "	-	43 50
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			\$3191 19

STATEMENT.

Receipts.

Appropriation	- - - - -	\$3000 00
Estate of James Manning	- - - - -	16 56
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		\$3016 56

Expenditures.

Sundries as per statement	- - - - -	\$3191 19
Deficiency Dec. 31. 1888	- - - - -	<hr/>
		\$174 63

SUPPORT OF POOR OUT OF ALMSHOUSE.

SANE.

Mrs. John Nugent :—

To cash paid Daniel Fisher	- - -	\$11 60
" " " H. N. Lewis	- - -	25 05
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		\$36 65

Ira Frizell :—

To cash paid estate of Charles Bouton	- - -	36 00
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George Clark :—

To cash paid City of Lowell	- - - - -	12 00
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Town of Attleboro :—

To cash paid N. B. Wilmarth, burial of Ellen Starkey	- - - - -	18 25
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Sarah R. Caine :—

To cash paid City of Boston	- - - - -	112 00
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Patrick Kirby :—

To cash paid estate of Charles Bouton	- - -	30 00
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Mrs. Asa Page :—

To cash paid N. Y. & N. E. R. R. Co., passage to Baltimore	- - - - -	13 95
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Commonwealth of Massachusetts :—

To cash paid for John Tyler	- - - - -	75 08
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Mrs. Frank Welch :—

To cash paid David Fisher	- - -	\$6 50
" " " H. N. Lewis	- - -	81 00

City of Boston:—

To cash paid G. H. French, M. D., for Abby Snowden	6 00
	<u><u>\$427 43</u></u>

INSANE.

Patrick Reeves:—

To cash paid Worcester Lunatic Hospital	- - -	\$169 92
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Timothy J. Donavan:—

To cash paid Taunton Lunatic Hospital	- - -	169 92
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Bridget Mahoney:—

To cash paid Taunton Lunatic Hospital	- - -	169 92
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Mary J. Carey:—

To cash paid Westborough Insane Hospital	- - -	175 07
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Sarah Handon:—

To cash paid Westborough Insane Hospital	- - -	177 57
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Emma M. Goss:—

To cash paid Westborough Insane Hospital	- - -	152 80
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	<u><u>\$1015 20</u></u>
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STATEMENT.

Receipts.

Appropriation	- - - -	\$1,800 00
Town of Attleboro	- - - -	18 25
Commonwealth of Massachusetts	- - -	61 73
	<u><u></u></u>	<u><u>\$1,879 98</u></u>

Expenditures.

Sundries as per statement (sane)	- - -	\$427 43
" " " " (insane)	- - -	1,015 20
James F. Hopkins, state aid	- - -	60 00
	<u><u></u></u>	<u><u>\$1,502 63</u></u>
Balance unexpended Dec. 31, 1888	- - -	<u><u>\$377 35</u></u>
Due from Commonwealth of Mass.	- -	\$21 50
" " " " "	- -	32 08
" " City of Boston	- - -	\$53 58
	<u><u></u></u>	<u><u>25 27</u></u>
	<u><u></u></u>	<u><u>\$78 85</u></u>

STREET LAMPS.

Order 69.	W. E. Sloan and W. H. Gunnison, to March, 1888	\$5 50
" 71.	David Fisher, to March 1, '88 - - -	6 00
" 95.	Edmund Polleys, to January 1, '88 - - -	5 00
" 102.	W. J. Horner, 2 lamps, to January 1, '88 - - -	10 00
" 116.	S. W. Hartshorn, to March 10, '88 - - -	6 00
" 150.	Geo. F. Allen, 3 lamps, to April 30, '88 - - -	6 00
" 269.	Globe Gas Light Co., 1 lan- tern - - -	4 25
" 300.	J. H. Leland, to March 1, '88 - - -	6 00
" 311.	George F. Allen, 3 lamps, to August 31, '88 - - -	6 00
" 516.	W. E. Sloan, to December 1, '88, in full - - -	4 00
" 574.	A. N. Cram, 1 lamp, to January 1, '89 - - -	6 00
" 575.	J. B. Cram, 1 lamp, to Jan- uary 1, '89 - - -	6 00
" 576.	J. F. Barnes, 1 lamp, to November 1, '88 - - -	5 00
" 577.	John E. Mann, 1 lamp, to January 1, '89 - - -	6 00
" 578.	Wm. H. Pray, 1 lamp, to January 1, '89 - - -	6 00
" 580.	George E. Craig, 3 lamps, to January 1, '89 - - -	18 00
" 581.	S. W. Hartshorn, 1 lamp, to January 1, '89 - - -	5 00
" 582.	Helen E. Clapp, 1 lamp, to January 1, '89 - - -	6 00
<i>Amount carried forward,</i>		<hr/> <hr/> \$116 75

	<i>Amount brought forward,</i>	\$116 75
" 588.	Geo. F. Allen, 3 lamps, to January 1, '89 - - -	6 00
" 603.	W. E. Freese, 1 lamp, to January 1, '89 - - -	6 00
" 604.	Edmund Polleys, 1 lamp, to January 1, '89 - - -	6 00
" 605.	W. J. Horner, 2 lamps, to January 1, '89 - - -	12 00
" 606.	Warren Hartshorn, 1 lamp, to January 1, '89 - - -	6 00
" 612.	T. W. Hartshorn, 1 lamp; to January 1, '89 - - -	3 00
" 613.	A. J. Runnells, 1 lamp, to January 1, '89 - - -	6 00
" 614.	E. Walpole E. I. Society, lamps, to January 1, '89 -	46 50
" 621.	Amos Binney, 1 lamp, to January 1, '89 - - -	6 00
" 630.	L. D. Morton, 1 lamp, to January 1, '89 - - -	2 00
" 637.	H. N. Lewis, 1 lamp, to January 1, '89 - - -	6 00
" 642.	J. B. Mowry, 1 lamp, to January 1, '89 - - -	1 00

		\$223 25

STATEMENT.

Receipts.

Appropriation	- - - - -	\$300 00
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Expenditures.

Sundries as per statement,	- - - - -	\$223 25
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Balance unexpended Dec. 31, 1888	- - - - -	\$76 75
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STATE AID.

Jas. F. Hopkins, Acts 1879, Chap. 252,	\$120 00
E. E. Jackson, Acts 1879, Chap. 301,	\$48 00
A. M. Green, " " "	40 00
Mary Menix, " " "	24 00

	\$112 00

STATEMENT.

Receipts.

Commonwealth of Massachusetts	\$156 00
Charged support of poor out of Alms-house	60 00

	\$216 00

Expenditures.

Deficiency Dec. 31, 1887,	\$156 00
Sundries, as per statement, one-half to be reimbursed by Commonwealth of Massachusetts	120 00
Sundries, as per statement, to be reimbursed by Commonwealth of Massachusetts	112 00

	\$388 00
Deficiency Dec. 31, 1888,	\$172 00
Due from Commonwealth of Massachusetts, Acts 1879, Chap. 252,	60 00
Due from Commonwealth of Massachusetts, Acts 1879, Chap. 301,	112 00

	172 00

TOWN HALL.

Order 165. Gilbert & Barker Mfg. Co.,	
gasoline - - -	\$14 81
" 32. Walworth Mfg. Co., gasoline,	16 58
" 54. T. A. Barrett, repairs - -	12 50
" 213. Waldo Brothers, repairs - -	14 00
" 214. M. W. Allen, " - -	22 37
<i>Amount carried forward,</i>	\$80 26

	<i>Amount brought forward,</i>	\$80 26
Order 248.	Charles L. Gray, "	39 48
" 310.	David Fisher, coal	72 50
" 332.	W. H. Merrill, repairs	5 88
" 528.	Gilbert & Barker Mfg. Co., gasoline	22 42
" 532.	T. A. Barrett, repairs	50
" 584.	N. B. Wilmarth, services to Jan. 1, 1889	250 00
" 600.	T. A. Barrett, repairs	20 34
		<u>491 38</u>

STATEMENT.

Appropriation	- - - - -	\$400 00
Rent of Hall	- - - - -	200 00
		<u>\$600 00</u>

Expenditures.

Sundries as per statement	- - - - -	\$491 38
Balance unexpended Dec. 31, 1888	- - - - -	<u>\$108 62</u>

TOWN OFFICERS.

Order 399.	David Fisher, Assessor	-	\$100 00
" 449.	Porter S. Boyden, "	-	50 00
" 450.	N. W. Fisher, "	-	100 00
" 465.	A. N. Cram, Selectman and Overseer of Poor	- -	100 00
" 476.	J. G. Hartshorn, Registrar	-	15 00
" 477.	J. A. Jepson, "	-	15 00
" 478.	John A. Way, "	-	15 00
" 531.	Julius Guild, Selectman and Overseer of Poor	- -	100 00
" 591.	George P. Morey, Town Clerk	- - - -	50 00
" 592.	George P. Morey, Registrar	-	25 00
" 593.	Frank O. Pilsbury, Town Treasurer	- - -	100 00
" 607.	Samuel Bird, Selectman and Overseer of Poor	- -	100 00
			<u>\$770 00</u>

STATEMENT.

Receipts.

Appropriation	- - - - -	\$800 00
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Expenditures.

Sundries as per statement,	- - - - -	<u>770 00</u>
Balance unexpended Dec. 31, 1888	- - - - -	<u>\$30 00</u>

POST 157, G. A. R.

Order 170. M. W. Allen, Quartermaster	- - - - -	\$100 00
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Receipts.

Appropriation	- - - - -	<u>\$100 00</u>
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PUBLIC LIBRARY.

Order 157. Robt. S. Gray, Treas.	-	\$150 00
" 211. " " "	-	150 00
" 314. " " "	-	150 00
" 587. " " "	-	100 00
	- - - - -	<u>\$550 00</u>

STATEMENT.

Receipts.

Appropriation	- - - - -	\$550 00
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Expenditures.

Sundries, as per statement	- - - - -	<u>\$550 00</u>
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POLICE.

Order 265. Thomas M. Crowley, services,	\$13 00
" 288. Chas. O. Hall, " 6 25	
" 289. Wm. H. Boyden, " 6 25	
" 290. Warren H. Merrill, " 3 75	

Amount carried forward,	\$29 25
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<i>Amount brought forward,</i>	.	\$29 25
Order 291. A. N. Clark,	"	1 25
" 529. John B. Rooney,	"	51 61
" 589. Richard Walsh,	"	21 60
" 635. John B. Rooney.	"	25 00
" 643. T. M. Crowley,	"	13 50
" 668. James E. Cotter, Bendel case	25 00	
		\$167 21

STATEMENT.

Receipts.

Appropriation - - - - - \$300 00

Expenditures.

Sundries as per statement - - - - \$167 21
 Balance unexpended, Dec. 31, 1888 - - - \$132 79

FIRE DEPARTMENT.

Order	67.	Henry C. Hunt, agent, re-					
		pairing hose - - -				\$2	00
"	97.	Helen E. Clapp, rent -				7	50
"	198.	Neponset Hook and Ladder Co., services - - -				79	50
"	216.	Helen E. Clapp, rent -				7	50
"	254.	Spring Brook Hose Co., services - - -				35	50
"	258.	H. N. Lewis, services -				7	00
"	260.	Frank N. Gay, "				11	00
"	331.	Tiger Engine Co., services,				19	50
"	356.	Helen E. Clapp, rent -				7	50
"	395.	Henry C. Hunt, agent, re- pairs - - -				2	85
"	511.	Billings Ellis, services -				2	00
"	537.	Tiger Engine Co., services,				11	50
"	583.	Helen E. Clapp, rent -				7	50
<i>Amount carried forward,</i>							\$200 85

<i>Amount brought forward,</i>		\$200 85
Order 622. Charles Fales, services, supplies, etc.	- - -	19 30
" 623. Frank N. Gay, services, supplies, etc. - - -		7 25
" 624. H. N. Lewis, services, supplies, etc. - - -		3 50
" 625. Neponset Hook and Ladder Co., services - - -		8 50
" 626. Alden & Barron, printing, etc. - - - -		2 25
" 638. H. N. Lewis, supplies - -		16 12
" 640. E. Winslow, " - -		3 00
" 641. Spring Brook Hose Co., services - - - -		5 50
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		\$266 27

STATEMENT.

Receipts.

Appropriation	- - - - -	\$500 00
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Expenditures.

Sundries as per statement	- - - - -	\$266 27
Balance unexpended Dec. 31, 1888	- - - - -	\$233 73

NOTES AND INTEREST.

Order 60. Maverick National Bank, interest - - - -	\$120 00
" 211. Maverick National Bank, interest - - - -	100 00
" 212. Brewster, Cobb & Ester- brook, discount - - -	104 12
" 243. Worcester North Savings Institution, interest -	240 00
" 244. Maverick National Bank, interest - - - -	40 00
<i>Amount carried forward</i>	\$604 12

	<i>Amount brought forward,</i>	\$604 12
Order 302.	Maverick National Bank,	
	note - - - -	2,000 00
" 307.	Maverick National Bank,	
	interest - - - -	80 00
" 309.	Maverick National Bank,	
	interest - - - -	40 00
" 362.	Maverick National Bank,	
	interest - - - -	100 00
" 598.	Worcester North Savings Institution, interest -	240 00
" 599.	Maverick National Bank,	
	interest - - - -	40 00
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		\$3,104 12

STATEMENT.

Receipts.

Appropriation - - - -	\$3,100 00
Interest on deposits - - - -	120 69
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	\$3,220 69

Expenditures.

Sundries, as per statement - - - -	\$3,104 12
Balance unexpended Dec. 31, 1888 - - - -	\$116 57
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LOAN ACCOUNT.

Order 486. Maverick National Bank - - - -	\$7,000 00
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STATEMENT.

Receipts.

Maverick National Bank - - - -	\$7,000 00
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PRINTING AND STATIONERY.

Order	21.	M. J. Kiley, printing posters	\$ 2 50
"	22.	Rockwell & Churchill, printing list of jurors	3 00
"	52.	Arthur S. Allen, printing posters	2 60
"	53.	Arthur S. Allen, printing town reports, etc.	133 00
"	61.	Julius Guild, stamps	3 65
"	107.	Little, Brown, & Co., "Herrick's Town Officers"	3 00
"	106.	Rockwell & Churchill, printing bill-heads	7 00
"	199.	Rockwell & Churchill, printing letter-heads and warrants	6 25
"	207.	F. O. Pilsbury, stamps	1 00
"	210.	Rockwell & Churchill, printing warrants	3 00
"	268.	Norfolk Pub. Co., notices	2 50
"	270.	Rockwell & Churchill, printing bill-heads	4 00
"	301.	Norfolk Pub. Co., notices	2 50
"	317.	Rockwell & Churchill, printing warrants	2 50
"	323.	F. O. Pilsbury, stamps	1 00
"	318.	Canton Journal, printing tax bills	6 84
"	367.	Arthur S. Allen, printing posters	2 50
"	463.	Rockwell & Churchill, printing warrants	3 75
"	473.	F. O. Pilsbury, stamps	1 00
"	530.	Samuel Hobbs & Co., check-book	17 00
"	608.	F. O. Pilsbury, stamps	30
"	620.	Norfolk Pub. Co., printing posters, etc.	5 00
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			\$213 89

STATEMENT.

	<i>Receipts.</i>	
Appropriation	-	\$250 00
<i>Expenditures.</i>		
Sundries, as per statement	-	\$213 89
Balance unexpended Dec. 31, 1888	-	\$36 11

STATE TAX.

Order A. W. Beard, State Treasurer,	-	\$1,980 00
<i>Receipts.</i>		
Appropriation	-	\$1,980 00

TOWN CEMETERY.

Appropriation	-	\$200 00
<i>Expenditures.</i>		
Order 166. N. B. Wilmarth, labor, men, etc.	-	\$96 45
" 590. N. B. Wilmarth, labor, men, etc.	-	30 00
Balance unexpended Dec. 31, 1888	-	\$73 55

MARY V. BRIGGS vs. TOWN OF WALPOLE.

Order 432. Wm. Hennessy and others, labor	-	\$8 50
" 468. David Fisher, labor	-	3 25
" 484. Wm. Crossley, "	-	8 70
" 485. James F. Manning, labor	-	6 75
<i>Amount carried forward,</i>		\$27 20

<i>Amount brought forward,</i>	-	\$27 20
Order 514. N. Y. & N. E. R. R. Co.,		
freight	- - -	1 10
" 521. D. W. Lewis, drain pipe	-	16 72
" 522. Wm. Crowley, labor	-	3 15
" 667. James E. Cotter, expenses, etc.	- - -	263 13
" 668. James E. Cotter, services	-	125 00
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		\$436 30

Balance transferred to miscellaneous account.

EAST SCHOOL-HOUSE

Order 264. Porter S. Boyden	-	-	\$200 00
" 277. David Fisher	-	-	2 00
" 292. Porter S. Boyden	-	-	200 00
" 294. Willis C. Fuller	-	-	160 00
" 297. Porter S. Boyden	-	-	600 00
" 319. Frederic Endicott	-	-	7 95
" 320. Andrew Carberry	-	-	200 00
" 355. Porter S. Boyden	-	-	500 00
" 405. Andrew Carberry	-	-	127 00
" 436. Horace Hathaway	-	-	2 00
" 437. A. G. Whitcomb	-	-	191 90
" 438. Smith & Anthony	-	-	222 00
" 471. Porter S. Boyden	-	-	375 69
" 472. H. A. Hartley & Co.	-	-	20 55
" 480. Francis W. Bird	-	-	200 00
" 508. A. H. Evans	-	-	1 50
" 509. Edwin Evans	-	-	4 50
" 510. Eben Fuller	-	-	26 37
" 644. A. D. Willett	-	-	2 75
" 645. Simon Gould	-	-	50 85
" 646. T. A. Barrett	-	-	24 38
" 647. Myron H. Piper	-	-	1 55
" 354. N. Y. & N. E. R. R. Co.			2 17
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			\$3,123 16

STATEMENT.

Receipts.

Appropriation	- - - - -	\$2,800 00
Balance unexpended from Notes and		
Interest	- - - - -	116 57
Balance unexpended from Fire De-		
partment account	- - - - -	233 73
		<hr/>
		\$3,150 30

Expenditures.

Sundries as per statement	- - - - -	\$3,123 16
Balance unexpended Dec. 31, 1888	- - - - -	\$27 14

Balance transferred by vote of the town.

WALPOLE PLAIN CEMETERY.

Order 390. N. B. Wilmarth, labor, men, etc.	- - - - -	\$158 60
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Receipts.

Under will of Susan Capen	- - - - -	\$100 00
Interest on \$200, Capen Fund, to May 1, '88	- - - - -	58 60
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		\$158 60

FIRE ALARM.

Order 394. Henry D. Dupee	- - - - -	\$7 45
" 396. Walworth Mfg. Co.	- - - - -	3 75
" 464. H. D. Dupee	- - - - -	14 03
" 512. Crosby Steam Guage and		
Valve Co.	- - - - -	72 50
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		\$97 73

STATEMENT.

Receipts.

Appropriation	- - - - -	\$100 00
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Expenditures.

Sundries as per statement	- - - - -	\$97 73
Balance unexpended Dec. 1, '88	- - - - -	\$2 27

MISCELLANEOUS.

Order 60.	J. B. Rooney, constable, labor,	\$12 50
" 68.	Frank N. Gay, frame for gravel screen,	3 75
" 75.	Norfolk Pub. Co., notices, . .	2 00
" 108.	Geo. Tyler & Co., points for scraper,	4 00
" 122.	N. Y. & N. E. R.R. Co., freight,	5 25
" 162.	David Fisher, treasurer, lot in cemetery,	50 00
" 72.	George P. Morey, insurance, .	24 00
" 163.	Nathaniel Smith, surveys, .	47 00
" 209.	A. E. Reed, express, . . .	1 30
" 200.	John B. Rooney, fire inquest, .	69 73
" 249.	J. H. Baker & Co., varnishing hearse,	30 00
" 295.	John B. Rooney, constable ser- vice,	42 80
" 299.	Wm. Ryan, repairing pump, .	50
" 322.	E. Robinson, atlas of Norfolk Co.,	15 00
" 398.	Town of Norfolk, tax, . . .	1 65
" 400.	David Fisher, labor, . . .	5 88
" 408.	George P. Morey, insurance, .	20 00
" 445.	H. N. Lewis, lantern, . . .	75
" 461.	W. J. Arbuckle, repairs, etc., .	18 95
" 462.	Frank N. Gay, " " ".	11 00
" 475.	N. Y. & N. E. R.R. Co., freight,	6 95
" 483.	R. Walsh, iron work, . . .	5 55
" 487.	A. N. Cram, telephone, . . .	1 00
" 515.	E. D. Brooks & Co., slate stone,	4 00
" 517.	H. C. Briggs, livery, . . .	2 00
" 519.	Willard Lewis, coal ashes, .	15 50
" 536.	Julius Guild, sundries, . . .	6 75
" 609.	Holmes Nye, livery, . . .	7 50
" 610.	Emmons Winslow, carting,	11 25
" 615.	G. H. French, M. D., recording births,	1 75
<i>Amount carried forward,</i>		<hr/> \$428 31

	<i>Amount brought forward,</i>	\$428 31
Order 617.	G. H. French, M. D., services,	1 00
" 618.	Eben Fuller, cement and labor,	4 10
" 619.	P. H. Tobin, carting,	75
" 628.	George P. Morey, canvassing vote,	5 00
" 629.	George P. Morey, sundries,	20 17
" 666.	J. J. Feeley, services,	15 00
" 668.	James E. Cotter, services,	7 00
" 669.	A. N. Cram, sundries,	5 38
" 671.	L. H. Plimpton, M. D., record- ing births,	8 50
" 672.	L. H. Plimpton, M. D., services,	5 50
" 673.	George P. Morey, recording births and deaths, etc.,	49 90
" 674.	N. B. Wilmarth, recording deaths, etc.,	8 00
" 675.	C. B. Dexter, recording births and deaths,	1 50
" 676.	N. A. Cobb, recording deaths,	1 00
" 677.	P. S. Boyden,	3 84
" 679.	N. A. Cobb, abatements,	265 43
" 680.	" " discounts,	1,275 61
" 681.	" " services,	300 00
		<u>\$2,405 99</u>

STATEMENT.

Receipts.

Appropriation,	.	.	.	.	.	\$2,500 00
Corporation Tax,	.	.	.	.	.	877 84
F. O. Pilsbury,	.	.	.	.	.	1 00
National Bank Tax,	.	.	.	.	.	581 26
Byron A. Dennis,	.	.	.	.	.	8 00
Walpole Assembly K. of L.,	.	.	.	.	.	100 00
						<u>\$4,068 10</u>

Expenditures.

Sundries, as per statement	.	.	.	\$2,405 99
Bal. Mary V. Briggs vs. Town,	.	.	.	436 30
				<u>\$2,842 29</u>

Balance unexpended Dec. 31, 1888, \$1,225 81

RECAPITULATION.

Support of schools, salaries, care of school-houses, fuel for schools, and superintendence,	\$7,982 22
Repairs of school-houses,	210 68
Supplies and incidentals for schools,	548 07
Support of poor at almshouse,	1,280 47
Repairs of highways,	3,191 19
Support of poor out of almshouse,	1,442 63
Street lamps,	223 25
State aid,	232 00
Town hall,	491 38
Town officers,	770 00
Post 157, G. A. R.,	100 00
Public library,	550 00
Police,	167 21
Fire department,	266 27
Notes and interest,	3,104 12
Printing and stationery,	213 89
Town cemetery,	126 45
East school-house,	3,123 16
Walpole Plain cemetery,	158 60
Fire alarm,	97 73
Miscellaneous,	1,301 25
State tax,	1,980 00
Temporary loans,	7,000 00
Abatement of taxes,	265 43
Discount on taxes,	<u>1,275 61</u>
	<u>\$36,101 61</u>

FINANCIAL CONDITION OF THE TOWN DEC.

31, 1888.

ASSETS.

Cash in Treasury,	\$4,489 28
Due from Commonwealth for State aid,	
Chap. 252, Acts 1879,	60 00
<i>Amount carried forward,</i>	\$4,549 28

<i>Amount brought forward,</i>	. . .	\$4,549 28
Due from Commonwealth for State aid,		
Chap. 301, Acts 1879,		112 00
Due from Commonwealth of Mass. for support of Paupers,		53 58
Due from city of Boston for support of Paupers,		25 27
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		\$4,740 13

LIABILITIES.

Due appropriations for town records,		\$50 00
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The following is a statement of the town's debt on account of Town Hall, bearing interest at 4 per cent., payable semi-annually:—

Note due Sept. 1, 1889,		\$2,000 00
" " " 1, 1890,		2,000 00
" " April 1, 1891,		5,000 00
" " July 1, 1896,		2,000 00
		—
		\$11,000 00

Also debt on account of school-house, bearing interest at 4 per cent., payable semi-annually:—

Note due July 1, 1891,		\$2,400 00
" " " 1892,		2,400 00
" " " 1893,		2,400 00
" " " 1894,		2,400 00
" " " 1895,		2,400 00
		—
		\$12,000 00

ESTIMATES FOR 1888.

Support of schools, salaries, care of school-houses, fuel for schools, and superintendence,		\$8,000 00
Incidentals for schools,		790 00
Repairs of school-houses,		250 00
" " highways and bridges,		4,000 00
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<i>Amount carried forward,</i>	. . .	\$13,040 00

<i>Amount brought forward.</i>	\$13,040 00
Support of poor at almshouse,	1,200 00
" " out of "	1,800 00
Fire department,	500 00
Town hall,	400 00
Notes and interest,	3,000 00
Public library,	700 00
Post 157, G. A. R.,	100 00
Town officers,	800 00
Printing and stationery,	250 00
Street lamps,	300 00
Miscellaneous,	1,800 00
State tax, amount assessed,	
County tax, " "	— \$23,890 00

Respectfully submitted,

ARTHUR N. CRAM,
JULIUS GUILD,
SAMUEL BIRD,

Walpole, Dec. 31, 1888.

Selectmen of Walpole.

OFFICE OF THE SELECTMEN, TOWN HALL,
WALPOLE, MASS., Feb. 8, 1889.

We have this day examined the accounts of the Selectmen for the year ending December 31, 1888, and find them correct and properly vouched.

FRED H. FOWLER,
EUGENE THOMAS,
Auditors.

LIST OF JURORS.

AS REVISED BY THE SELECTMEN FOR THE YEAR 1889.

Allen, Samuel	Mann, Horace W.
Allen, Melzar W.	Morey, George P.
Bagley, Clinton	Mowry, Junius B.
Boyden, Elbridge P.	Maguire, Thomas F.
Battles, Horace C.	Page, Addison
Cantwell, Patrick H.	O'Brien, John P.
Craig, George E.	Piper, Myron H.
Everett, Daniel E.	Polleys, Edmund
Ellis, George	Reed, Francis L.
Fales, Charles	Riordan, Patrick
Fales, George	Scott, James G.
Fisher, Ira	Smith, Henry W.
Guild, Julius	Turner, Daniel
Hartshorn, Charles H.	Tisdale, Percy E.
Hartshorn, Charles D.	Wilmarth, Naaman B.
Kingsbury, George H.	White, J. W.
Leland, James H.	Whitton, Ivory
Lane, Harry B.	Wetherbee, George W.

Respectfully submitted,

ARTHUR N. CRAM,
JULIUS GUILD,
SAMUEL BIRD,

Selectmen of Walpole.

Guide-boards have been maintained at the following points, viz.: Corner East and Main streets; corner Washington and Common streets; corner Cross and Main streets; at Sharon line; corner Kendall and Main streets; corner Plimpton and Main streets; corner Kendall and School streets; corner Plimpton and East streets; corner Dimond and East streets; corner Short and East streets; corner Kendall and East streets; corner Kendall and Washington streets; corner Kendall and Peach streets; corner Main and Fisher streets; corner North and Main streets; corner Main and Mylod streets; corner North and Cemetery streets; corner Main and Bullard streets; corner North and Gill streets; corner North and Brook streets; corner North and High streets; corner North and Fisher streets; corner Main and Gill streets; corner Sumner and Coney streets; corner Main and Gould streets; corner Coney and Pleasant streets; corner Pleasant and Union streets; corner Washington and Union streets; corner East and Washington streets; corner Washington and Short streets; corner South and Washington streets; corner Washington and Pine streets; corner Water and Washington streets; corner South and Pine streets; corner Neponset and Sumner streets; corner Winter and Sumner streets; corner West and Back streets; corner Winter and Main streets; corner Granite and Back streets; corner Plain and Main streets; corner Kingsbury and Plain streets; corner Cedar and West streets; at R. R. Bridge, West street; corner Norfolk and West streets; corner Oak and Main streets; corner Back and West streets; corner South and Common streets; corner Clap and Common streets; corner Elm and West streets; corner Main and Common streets; corner Spring and West streets; corner Main and Spring streets.

Respectfully submitted,

A. N. CRAM,
JULIUS GUILD,
SAMUEL BIRD,
Selectmen.

REPORT OF THE OVERSEERS OF THE POOR.

SUPPORT OF POOR AT ALMSHOUSE.

1888.

Jan. 1.	Amount of personal property at Almshouse - - -	\$550 00
	Amount paid for supplies - - -	1,065 52
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		\$1,615 52
Dec. 31.	Amount of personal property at Almshouse - - -	\$550 00
	Amount received for sundries 308 50	<hr/>
		\$858 50
	Net cost - - - - -	<hr/> <u>\$757 02</u>

1888.

Jan. 1.	Amount of personal property at Almshouse - - -	\$550 00
	Amount paid for supplies and repairs - - - -	1,280 47
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		\$1,830 47
Dec. 31.	Amount of personal property at Almshouse - - -	\$550 00
	Amount received for sundries 308 50	<hr/>
		\$858 50
	Net cost - - - - -	<hr/> <u>\$971 97</u>

INMATES DURING THE YEAR.

Asa Frizell,	52 weeks.
John E. Grant,	22 " 5 days.
Elvira B. Grant,	20 " 4 "
William Daniels,	26 "
Mary Ring,	6 " 4 "

Anna Ring,	6 weeks, 4 days.
Mary Ring, 2d,	6 . " 4 "
Mary Bird,	45 . " 3 "
Willie Miller,	1 . "
Daniel Wormersley,	1 . " 1 "
Nancy D. Knowlton,	15 . " 3 "
Ann Eliza Carnes,	1 . " 6 "
Clarissa H. Cheney,	4 . "
	—
	209 weeks, 6 days.

SUPPORT OF POOR OUT OF ALMSHOUSE.

Amount paid out - - - - -	\$1,502 63
“ received from Town of Attleboro - - - - -	\$18 25
“ received from Commonwealth of Massachusetts - - - - -	61 73
“ due from Commonwealth of Massachusetts - - - - -	53 58
“ due from City of Boston - - - - -	25 27
	—
	\$158 83
Net cost - - - - -	\$1,343 80

The Almshouse has continued during the year under the care of Mr. and Mrs. George P. Chapin, who have performed their duties satisfactorily.

The number of inmates at the commencement of the year was seven (7); at the close, four. Some have come and gone during the year; two have died, and one permanently removed by friends. Of the four at close of the year, one (Mary Bird) has her board paid to the Town.

The average number of inmates gives 209 6-7 weeks for one person.

The cash payments for the year, less receipts and amounts paid for repairs, was \$757⁰², which makes the cost \$3⁶⁰ per week for each inmate, against \$3⁵⁴ last year; the gain in expense per inmate was made by there being so few inmates for a large part of the year. Taking cost of repairs with above, there

was an expense of \$971 97, making a cost for each inmate per week of \$4₁₀₀⁶³. The repairs were badly needed, and no large amount of money need be expended for some years; consequently it would not be fair to figure them in cost of inmates all in one year.

The amount expended the past year for support of poor out of Almshouse not including the insane, was \$427₁₀₀⁴³. Included in this amount (427₁₀₀⁴³) are charged to other towns and the Commonwealth amounting to \$97 10, which has been or will be paid into the Town treasury, leaving a net amount of \$330₁₀₀³³ against \$369₁₀₀¹⁸ last year; we have been again fortunate as regards outdoor poor, the only large bill coming from City of Boston, the party having a rightful claim on the town, dating back many years.

The cost of support of insane has been \$1,015₁₀₀²⁹; number of dependents six until late in the year, when we lost one by death. Five are now in the hospitals.

Respectfully submitted,

ARTHUR N. CRAM,

JULIUS GUILD,

SAMUEL BIRD,

Overseers of Poor.

REPORT OF COLLECTOR OF TAXES FOR 1888.

NATHAN A. COBB, *Collector, in account with Town of Walpole.*

1888.		<i>Dr.</i>
To amount of taxes for 1888, committed for collection		\$25,309 02
To accrued interest		10 38
		————— \$25,319 40
		<i>Cr.</i>
Aug. 22. By cash paid F. O. Pillsbury, Town Treas.,		350 00
25. By cash paid F. O. Pillsbury, Town Treas.,		425 00
Sept. 12. By cash paid F. O. Pillsbury, Town Treas.,		326 30
20. By cash paid F. O. Pillsbury, Town Treas.,		440 00
22. By cash paid F. O. Pillsbury, Town Treas.,		312 65
29. By cash paid F. O. Pillsbury, Town Treas.,		240 00
Oct. 6. By cash paid F. O. Pillsbury, Town Treas.,		53 00
12. By cash paid F. O. Pillsbury, Town Treas.,		479 78
20. By cash paid F. O. Pillsbury, Town Treas.,		527 80
25. By cash paid F. O. Pillsbury, Town Treas.,		357 77
Nov. 2. By cash paid F. O. Pillsbury, Town Treas.,		3,922 39
6. By cash paid F. O. Pillsbury, Town Treas.,		13,830 63
<i>Amount carried forward,</i>		————— \$21,265 32

	<i>Amount brought forward,</i>	\$21,265 32
Nov.	13. By cash paid F. O. Pillsbury, Town Treas.,	23 50
	13. By cash paid County Tax,	1,015 10
Dec.	6. By cash paid F. O. Pillsbury, Town Treas.,	147 53
	15. By cash paid F. O. Pillsbury, Town Treas.,	60 00
	26. By cash paid F. O. Pillsbury, Town Treas.,	177 79
	31. By cash paid F. O. Pillsbury, Town Treas.,	2,630 16
		<hr/> \$25,319 40

Respectfully submitted,

NATHAN A. COBB,
Collector.

WALPOLE, Feb. 8, 1889.

Examined and approved.

ARTHUR N. CRAM,
JULIUS GUILD,
SAMUEL BIRD.

Selectmen of Walpole.

TREASURER'S REPORT.

F. O. PILSBURY, *Treasurer, in acct. with the Town of Walpole.*

1888.	<i>Dr.</i>
Jan. 1. To balance from old account, being cash on hand, . . .	\$6,252 58
25. To County treasurer, for dog licenses in 1887, . . .	347 54
26. To State treasurer, for income of Mass. School Fund, . . .	178 03
For support of State paupers,	46 00
Feb. 1. To Maverick National Bank, . . . (Int. on Jan. deposits,) . . .	14 61
Mar. 1. To Maverick National Bank, . . . (Int. on Feb. deposits,) . . .	11 93
22. To A. N. Cram, cash for secre- tary from almshouse, . . .	7 00
To State treasurer for Corpora- tion Tax,	262 85
Apr. 2. To Maverick National Bank, (Int. on March deposits,) . . .	10 26
3. To Geo. P. Chapin, for sales at almshouse,	26 00
4. To Walpole Assembly, No. 5070, Knights of Labor, (rent of village school- house 3 months,) . . .	25 00
28. To N. B. Wilmarth, for rent of Town Hall,	50 00
May 1. To Maverick National Bank, (Int. on April deposits,) . . .	8 39
19. To Walpole Assembly, No. 5070, Knights of Labor, (rent of village school- house 1 month,)	8 33
<i>Amount carried forward,</i> . . .	<i>\$7,248 52</i>

	<i>Amount brought forward,</i>	\$7,248 52
May 24.	To F. O. Pillsbury, for 6th class liquor license fee, . .	1 00
June 1.	To Maverick National Bank, (Int. on May deposits,) . .	5 89
8.	To State treasurer, for support of State paupers, . . .	11 37
16.	To Brewster, Cobb & Esta- brook, (Treasurer's note 5 mos., at 3½ per cent., due Nov. 16-19, 1888,) . .	7,000 00
22.	To Dedham Institution for Sav- ings (Interest on \$200, Capen Fund, to May 1st,) .	58 60
29.	To N. B. Wilmarth, for rent of Town Hall, . . .	50 00
July 2.	To Maverick National Bank, (Int. on June deposits,) .	6 23
5.	To Geo. N. Bird, agent for heirs of Nathaniel Bird (19 weeks board of Mary Bird, at \$2.50)	47 50
	To Geo. P. Chapin, for sales at almshouse,	50 00
30.	To Walpole Assembly, No. 5070, Knights of Labor, (rent of village school- house 2 months,) . . .	16 67
Aug. 1.	To Maverick National Bank, (Int. on July deposits,) .	11 38
10.	To Walpole Assembly, No. 5070, Knights of Labor, (rent of village school- house 1 month,) . . .	8 33
	To town of Attleborough, for burial of cancer-home pa- tient,	18 25
22.	To N. A. Cobb, collector, on account taxes for 1888, . .	350 00
	<i>Amount carried forward,</i> .	<u>\$14,883 74</u>

	<i>Amount brought forward,</i>	\$. \$14,883 74
Aug. 25.	To N. A. Cobb, collector, on account taxes for 1888, .	425 00
Sept. 1.	To Maverick National Bank, (Int. on Aug. deposits,) .	10 00
12.	To N. A. Cobb, collector, on account taxes for 1888, .	326 30
20.	To N. A. Cobb, collector, on account taxes for 1888, .	440 00
22.	To N. A. Cobb, collector, on account taxes for 1888, .	312 65
28.	To Walpole Assembly, No. 5070, Knights of Labor, (rent of village school-house 1 month,) .	8 33
29.	To N. A. Cobb, collector, on account taxes for 1888, .	240 00
Oct. 1.	To Maverick National Bank, (Int. on Sept. deposits,) .	4 67
6.	To Geo. P. Chapin, for sales at almshouse, . . .	30 00
	To N. A. Cobb, collector, on account taxes for 1888, .	53 00
12.	To N. A. Cobb, collector, on account taxes for 1888, .	479 78
20.	To Walpole Assembly, No. 5070, Knights of Labor, (rent of village school-house 1 month,) .	8 34
	To N. A. Cobb, collector, on account taxes for 1888, .	527 80
25.	To N. A. Cobb, collector, on account taxes for 1888, .	357 77
Nov. 1.	To Maverick National Bank, (Int. on Oct. deposits,) .	1 77
2.	To N. A. Cobb, collector, on account taxes for 1888, .	3,922 39
6.	To N. A. Cobb, collector, on account taxes for 1888, .	13,830 63
	<i>Amount carried forward,</i>	\$. <u>\$35,862 17</u>

	<i>Amount brought forward,</i>	.\$35,862 17
Nov. 9.	To Estate of James Manning on account of Highways,	16 56
13.	To N. A. Cobb, collector, on account taxes for 1888, .	23 50
17.	To Walpole Assembly, No. 5070, Knights of Labor, (rent of village school- house 1 month), . . .	8 33
24.	To N. B. Wilmarth, for rent of Town Hall, . . .	100 00
Dec. 1.	To Maverick National Bank (Int. on Nov. deposits), .	20 57
6.	To N. A. Cobb, collector, on account taxes for 1888, .	147 53
7.	To State Treasurer :— Corporation Tax, . . .	614 99
	National Bank Tax, . .	581 26
	State Aid Chap. 252, Acts 1879,	60 00
	State Aid Chap. 301, Acts 1879,	96 00
	Support of State Paupers,	34 37
8.	To Walpole Assembly, No. 5070, Knights of Labor (rent of village school- house 1 month), . . .	8 33
15.	To N. A. Cobb, collector, on account taxes for 1888, .	60 00
24.	To Byron A. Dennis, of Fox- boro, for license to peddle boots and shoes till Oct. 19th, 1889, . . .	8 00
26.	To N. A. Cobb, collector, on account taxes for 1888, .	177 79
28.	To Geo. N. Bird, agent for heirs of Nathaniel Bird, 26 weeks board of Mary Bird at \$2.50, . . .	65 00
	<i>Amount carried forward,</i>	.\$37,884 40

<i>Amount brought forward,</i>	\$37,884 40
Dec. 31. To Geo. P. Chapin, for sales at almshouse, . . .	53 00
To Walpole Assembly, No. 5070, Knights of Labor (rent of village school- house 1 month), . . .	8 34
To Maverick National Bank (Int. on Dec. deposits), .	14 99
To N. A. Cobb, collector, on account taxes for 1888, .	2,630 16
	—————
	\$40,590 89

Cr.

By amount paid out on Select- men's orders, . . .	\$36,101 61
By balance to new account, .	4,489 28
	—————
	\$40,590 89

Respectfully submitted,

FRANK O. PILSBURY,
Treasurer.

WALPOLE, Dec. 31, 1888.

Examined and approved,

ARTHUR N. CRAM,
JULIUS GUILD,
SAMUEL BIRD,
*Selectmen of Walpole.*OFFICE OF THE TREASURER, TOWN HALL,
WALPOLE, MASS., Feb. 8, 1889.We have examined the accounts of the Treasurer for the year
ending December 31, 1888, and find them correct and properly
vouched.FRED H. FOWLER,
EUGENE THOMAS,
Auditors.

THIRTEENTH ANNUAL REPORT OF THE TRUSTEES OF THE WALPOLE PUBLIC LIBRARY.

The Trustees of the Public Library respectfully submit the following report for the year ending Dec. 31, 1888:—

Again has our Board been called upon to mourn the loss of one of our active working members. The following resolutions were adopted Oct. 1st:—

Whereas, in view of the loss the Walpole Public Library has sustained by the death of our friend and associate, Mrs. Cordelia S. Gray, therefore be it resolved,

That in the absence of the careful, conscientious and efficient work performed by Mrs. Gray while connected with the Library, we recognize that a loss has been sustained best appreciated by those with whom she was associated.

In tribute to her memory and in testimony of our respect for and high esteem of her character and valuable services, this resolution is hereby inscribed on our records.

Early in the year the Trustees received the resignation of Miss Addie L. Pilsbury, who had served the town as Librarian so faithfully for many years, and deem ourselves fortunate in securing the services of Miss Louise W. Pray, who has filled the position to our entire satisfaction.

Books used by the C. L. S. C. have been put into the Library as last year.

Whole number of books in circulation	4,159
Public Documents	726
Reference books exclusive of Public Documents and	
Pamphlets	82
Books added this year	236
Of these, 142 were solid literature, and 94 were fiction.	
Number of magazines taken, 16 copies of 11 magazines.	

Total circulation for year	-	-	-	-	-	19,776
Increase over last year	-	-	-	-	-	2,421
Average daily circulation	-	-	-	-	-	126 $\frac{1}{3}$
Percentage of fiction issued	-	-	-	-	-	70
" " magazines issued	-	-	-	-	-	14
" " all others	-	-	-	-	-	16
Whole number of persons taking books	-	-	-	-	-	695
Number of new persons	-	-	-	-	-	125

The East Walpole people have continued to pay for having the books carried to them once a week, and about 1,700 books were sent them during the year; an increase of about 500 over last year.

Our grateful acknowledgements are due to the following persons, from whom donations of books have been received during the year:—

Mr. T. Herbert Gray, A Memorial of Dr. Silas Emelyn Stone.

Mr. Wm. W. Goddard, Second Annual Report of the Hopedale Public Library.

Mr. Amos H. Binney, 30 volumes.

Also the editors of the Walpole Star, Norwood Advertiser, Dedham Transcript, and the Central Norfolk Democrat.

For the cost of maintaining the Library we refer you to the Treasurer's report. An increased appropriation will be needed for the ensuing year, for the purpose of printing new catalogues, as we are now entirely out, and there is a constant demand for them. We would therefore recommend that the town appropriate the sum of \$700 for the use of the Public Library.

For the Trustees,

N. W. FISHER, *Chairman.*

REPORT OF TREASURER OF PUBLIC LIBRARY.

ROBT. S. GRAY, *Treasurer of the Trustees, in account with Walpole Public Library.*

1888.

Dr.

Dec. 31.	To balance on hand, . . .	\$16 09
	amount received from	
	Town Treasurer, . . .	550 00
	received from fines, . . .	20 00
		<hr/>
		\$586 09

Cr.

By librarian's salary to date,	\$150 00
" extra labor, . . .	33 81
supplies,	14 73
new books,	244 10
binding books,	26 50
catalogues,	29 70
Balance,	87 25
	<hr/>
	\$586 09

REPORT OF THE ENGINEERS OF THE FIRE DEPARTMENT.

To the Honorable Board of Selectmen the Engineers submit the following report: The department has been called out fourteen times, eight in the centre, four at the South end, one at the West end, and one at North end. The fires have been small, except two at Willard Lewis & Son's mills, and the one at the West end, when Mr. John Earley's house and barn were burned.

CHARLES FALES,
H. N. LEWIS,
FRANK N. GAY,

Walpole, Jan. 1st, 1889.

Board of Engineers.

REPORT OF TOWN CLERK OF
 BIRTHS, MARRIAGES AND DEATHS,
IN TOWN OF WALPOLE,
 For Year Ending December 31, 1888.

BIRTHS

REGISTERED IN WALPOLE FOR THE YEAR ENDING DEC. 31, 1888.

Date of Birth.	Name of Child.	Name of Parents.
1887.	1887.	1887.
Jan. 7	Margaret Mary White.....	James L. and Mary B.....
Feb. 3	John Edward Geheen.....	John E. and Julia.....
1888.	1888.	1888.
Jan. 7	George Robert Sline.....	Dennis and Nora.....
" 12	Albert Hartford.....	James T. and Annie.....
" 31	Mary Frances Kannaly.....	William J. and Mary.....
Feb. 20	Florence Schacht.....	John H. and Catharine.....
" 21	Wilfred Francis O'Brien Cashen.....	Edmund S. and Joanna A.....
March 7	Frank William Cutter.....	Aaron, Jr., and Ella G.....
" 9	Lawrence James White.....	James L. and Mary B.....
" 15	Samuel Guild Lewis.....	James B. and Alice M.....
" 16	George Howard Brewster.....	Joseph H. and Arabella.....
" 20	Mary Morrissey.....	Patrick J. and Annie A.....
" 25	John Joseph Kavanaugh.....	Nicholas and Ellen.....
April 7	James Henry Clinton.....	John J. and Susan.....
" 27	Warren Lothrop Hartshorn.....	Thomas W. and Hattie F.....
May 30	James Edmund Haigreaves.....	Edmund and Margaret J.....
" 4	Luther Freeman Graham.....	John F. and Alma E.....
" 11	John Ritchie Carberry.....	Andrew and Annie M.....
" 30	Mary Scanlon.....	Edward and Mary A.....
June 1		Albert F. and Mary E. Tilton.....
" 1	Elizabeth Frances Patton.....	John H. and Margaret.....
" 2	Gracie Alma Huff.....	Charles F. and Mary F.....
" 3	Emily Auburn McKee.....	John A. and Sarah.....
" 5	Bessie Alma Wyman.....	George R. and Alma M.....
" 6	Mary Louise Mahoney.....	William H. and Mary A.....
" 8	Henry Thomas Nickelson.....	Edmund and Margaret A.....
" 23	Annie Ryan.....	James J. and Winnifred.....
" 26	Lily Gosha.....	Charles and Bridget.....
July 1	Richard Plimpton Lewis.....	Willard I. and Mary G.....
" 3	Lucy Mary Hoxie.....	George F. and Mary A.....
" 4	Edward John Schaefer.....	Joseph and Elizabeth.....
" 6	Quinn.....	Charles and Margaret.....
" 13	Mildred Louisa Delaney.....	Richard J. and Annie.....
" 19	John William West.....	Charles O. and Georgie G.....
Aug. 2	William Frederic Burton.....	George J. and Mary.....
" 9	Emma Florence Gay.....	George E. and Ella A.....
" 15	Harrison Raymond Lewis.....	Harrison N. and Georgie N.....
" 20	Catharine Ellen Cullen.....	Thomas and Ellen.....
" 25	Harry Lester Jones.....	James D. and Abby.....
" 31	John Francis O'Brien.....	John P. and Mary S.....
Sept. 10	Addie Lena Hathaway.....	Horace N. and Emma.....
" 21	Ethel Viola Bateman.....	Arthur L. and Elleona Violetta.....
" 22	Helen Elizabeth Miller.....	Elijah and Addie M.....
" 24	Mary Ann Cullen.....	Patrick and Catharine.....
" 28	Walter Marshall Smith.....	Thomas M. and Eldora.....
" 29	Lewetta Evangeline Rollins.....	Marcus L. and Henrietta H.....
Oct. 8	Ralph Merton Davol.....	Charles E. and Lizzie W.....
" 16	Margaret Mary Collins.....	John H. and Mary E.....
" 18	Mary Olive Smith.....	John H. and Elizabeth A.....
" 20	Annie Agnes Pryor.....	Timothy and Nora.....
" 31	Mary Josephine Ahearn.....	Morris and Ellen.....

BIRTHS (Continued)

REGISTERED IN WALPOLE FOR THE YEAR ENDING DEC. 31, 1888.

Date of Birth.	Name of Child.	Name of Parents.
1888.	1888.	1888.
Nov. 1	Daniel Sullivan	James E. and Hannah
" 1	George Andrew Hamilton	George P. and Elizabeth A.
" 12	Charles Eugene Hartshorn	Charles F. and Susie C.
" 18	Hannah Hennessy	James and Mary
" 18	Wood	William E. and Calista E.
" 19	Arnold Farrington Grover	Edmund and Isabel
" 25	Mary Ellen Spillam	Garrett and Margaret M.
" 27	Frederic William Harrington	Patrick J. and Catharine C.
" 29	Andrew Moses Geheen	John E. and Julia
" 29	Alice McKew	Charles H. and Sarah
Dec. 5	John Thomas Philbin	Philip J. and Mary A.
" 10	Howard Milton Garby	William A. and Catharine A.
" 14	Harriet Ellen Russell	Joseph P. and Lillian S.
" 17	Willie Gordon Vance	John W. and Ella M.
" 30	Frances Eleanor Murphy	M. Christopher and Harriet E.
" 30	George Wade	James F. and Dora

MARRIAGES

REGISTERED IN WALPOLE FOR THE YEAR ENDING DECEMBER 31, 1888.

- Jan. 1.—Sylvester F. Dunlap and Helen M. Reed, both of Walpole.
 20.—Eben C. Norton, of Walpole, and Eliza B. Lawrence, of Tewksbury.
- Feb. 5.—Willie A. Roberts and Clara D. Cheney, both of Walpole.
 18.—Edmund Hargraves and Margaret J. Mahoney, both of Walpole.
 19.—Henry E. Bonney and Henrietta M. Allen, both of Walpole.
- Mar. 5.—Jason A. Morse and Carrie E. Guild, both of Walpole.
 28.—George F. Hoxie and Mary Barry, both of Walpole.
 31.—Frank N. Proctor and Mabel A. Pierce, both of Norfolk.
- Apr. 4.—Thomas L. Dalton and Annie Walsh, both of Walpole.
 10.—Alfred B. Smith and Alice F. Spear, both of Walpole.
 26.—Thomas Mahoney and Catharine J. Smith, both of Walpole.
 26.—Cornelius B. Crowley and Margaret E. Geary, both of Walpole.
- May 8.—Michael Sweeney and Margaret Parker, both of Walpole.
- June 7.—Artemas C. Holt, of Walpole, and Margaret J. Graham, of Norfolk.
 14.—Fred J. Robinson, of Norwood, and Addie L. Pillsbury, of Walpole.
 21.—William Stearns, of Walpole, and Minnie J. Welch, of Foxboro.
- July 3.—George H. Danforth, of Walpole, and Florence E. Cummings, of New Bedford.
- Aug. 5.—Charles H. Wright, of Mansfield, and Jennie F. Joyce, of Walpole.
 8.—John P. Dalton and Mary Neal, both of Walpole.
 12.—Charles E. Davol and Lizzie W. Cromwell, both of Walpole.
 16.—Axel Rockstrom and Alma Anderson, both of Walpole.
 19.—Patrick Geheen and Jennie Wilson, both of Walpole.
 20.—James F. Wade and Essadora Walton, both of Walpole.
 24.—Andrew J. Fisher, of Foxboro, and Neilia McCarthy, of Walpole.
- Sept. 18.—Edward Cody and Mary Nugept, both of Walpole.
 25.—William J. Horner and Mary S. Spear, both of Walpole.
- Oct. 4.—Charles H. Loring and Eunice A. Hudson, both of Walpole.
 4.—James Hoare, of Manchester, and Minnie D. Child, of Walpole.
 9.—Alfred B. Tisdale, of Walpole, and Emily R. Winn, of Milford.
 23.—Harry J. Young, of Walpole, and Claudia B. Patton, of Foxboro.
- Nov. 16.—George R. Pierson, of Norwood, and Lilly Brown, of Walpole.
 22.—Joseph Greenwood, of Norwood, and Martha J. Haire, of Walpole.
- Dec. 10.—David G. Brown, of Walpole, and Catharine M. Brent, of Everett.
 31.—Thomas P. H. Rice, of Walpole, and Ellen Cairns, of Saccarappa, (Me.)

DEATHS

REGISTERED IN WALPOLE FOR THE YEAR ENDING DECEMBER 31, 1888.

DATE.	NAME.	CAUSE OF DEATH.	AGE.
			Y. M. D.
1887.			
Aug. 12	Joseph S. Stearns.....	Senile Insanity	80
Sept. 18	Abby A. Mason.....	Pneumonia	55 8 24
1888.			
Jan. 6	John K. Wight.....	Apoplexy.....	69 5 16
" 9	John McKew.....	Paralysis.....	2 4 3
" 22	Joshua Stetson.....	Measles, Pneumonia	20
" 26	George Boyden.....	Inflammation of Stomach.....	67 2 17
" 29	Orrin J. Young.....	Cancer, Peritonitis.....	55 9 3
" 30	Maria N. Everett.....	Ht. Disease, Gangrenous Ulc.	71 2
Feb. 6	Alice Patten.....	Bilious Fever	78 8
" 6	John L. Sullivan.....	Membranous Croup.....	4 5
" 9	Lewis W. Robbins.....	Phthisis.....	72 6 22
" 22	Hammond Stockley.....	Cancer of Stomach.....	62
" 23	Cordelia S. Gray.....	Bronchitis, Tuberculosis.....	41 4 9
Mar. 3	Bridget Cullen.....	Convulsions.....	2 2
" 6	Arthur E. Shepard.....	Phthisis, Pulmonalis.....	42 5 4
" 8	Hannah A. Eliis.....	Pneumonia.....	66 5 17
" 12	Ella G. Cutter.....	Puerperal Fever.....	27 5 17
" 16	Hannah W. Sturtevant.....	Capillary Bronchitis.....	86 5 26
" 20	Charlotte Hewins.....	Old Age.....	77 7 20
" 22	Luman Gay.....	Paralysis.....	62 19 20
" 28	Bridget Lane.....	Tuberculosis.....	48
Apr. 4	Mary Carroll.....	Cancer.....	63
" 4	Virtue Mowry.....	Paralysis.....	88 5 18
" 15	Francis Welch.....	Pleuro-Pneumonia	50
" 16	Charles G. Hall.....	Gun-shot Wound.....	40
" 17	Efner S. Piper.....	Apoplexy.....	66 3 2
" 21	Frederic Mann.....	Apoplexy	78 9 6
May 4	Frederic N. Wiggin.....	Auremia.....	33 4 22
" 14	Ellen Starkey.....	Cancer.....	44 5 17
" 22	Edwin Thompson.....	Old Age.....	78 10
" 22	Martin Schaler.....	Malformation of Brain	4 1 9
June 6	— Tilton.....	Heart Disease.....	..... 6
" 7	John E. Grant.....	Paralysis.....	76 8 24
" 13	Caroline W. W. Boyden.....	Chronic Bronchitis	73 10
" 17	Patience J. Barnes.....	Cancer.....	65 7
" 30	William H. Daniels.....	Paralysis.....	75
July 7	Sarah Quinn.....	Cardiac Disease.....	..... 1
" 27	Mildred Louisa Delaney.....	Meningitis .....	..... 14
Aug. 4	Helen Sullivan.....	Dysentery	66
" 5	Lois Turner	Cancer	76
" 15	Ellen Lane	Old Age	99 3
" 22	Edwin Howland Holmes.....	Pulmonary Phthisis	28 11 13
Sept. 5	Joanna Hale	Phthisis	54
" 5	Catharine Cullen	Cholera Infantum .....	..... 15
" 12	Benjamin F. Merrill.....	Paralysis of Heart	78 8 1
" 14	Edward Schafer.....	Cholera Infantum	2 14
" 26	Nathaniel B. Winslow.....	Cystitis	71 5
Oct. 7	John Ellis Billings.....	Paralysis of Bladder	72
" 18	Murty Sullivan.....	Old Age	80
" 18	Emma G. Patterson.....	Pneumonia and Pleurisy	23 7 18
" 26	John Courtney.....	Paralysis	84
" 31	Harry L. Jones.....	Entere Colitis .....	..... 2 2
Nov. 16	Nicholas Kavanaugh.....	Paralysis of Heart	38
" 25	Catharine Walsh	Old Age	76
" 28	Hannah Morse	Paralysis	86 4 12
Dec. 12	Andrew Moses Geheen.....	Bronchitis .....	..... 13
" 13	Albert Reed	Apoplexy	68 8 14
" 21	Frank L. Brewster.....	Accidental Drowning	11 8

Whole number of Births..... 67
 " " " Marriages..... 34
 " " " Deaths 58

GEORGE P. MOREY, *Town Clerk.*

TOWN WARRANT.

COMMONWEALTH OF MASSACHUSETTS.

Norfolk, S. S.

To either of the constables in the town of Walpole in said county:—

GREETING.

In the name of the Commonwealth of Massachusetts you are directed to notify the inhabitants of the town of Walpole qualified to vote in elections and in town affairs, to meet at the Town Hall in said Walpole, on Monday, the fourth day of March next, at half past twelve o'clock in the afternoon, then and there to act on the following articles:—

ARTICLE 1. To choose a moderator to preside in said meeting.

ARTICLE 2. To hear the annual reports of the selectmen and other town officers and act thereon.

ARTICLE 3. To determine the methods of repairing the highways, town-ways, and bridges, during the ensuing year.

ARTICLE 4. To choose all necessary town officers for the ensuing year.

ARTICLE 5. To see how the town will vote on the following question:—"Shall licenses be granted for the sale of intoxicating liquors in this town?" The check-list shall be used, and the vote shall be by separate ballot, and ballots shall be "Yes" or "No" in answer to the question.

ARTICLE 6. To determine the manner of collecting the taxes for the ensuing year.

ARTICLE 7. To see if the town will approve of the list of jurors as prepared by the selectmen and posted as required by law.

ARTICLE 8. To see what compensation the town will allow the engineers and members of the fire department for their services the ensuing year.

ARTICLE 9. To see if the town will appoint or instruct the selectmen to appoint special police-officers to enforce all laws bearing upon the sale of intoxicating liquors, and appropriate money therefor.

ARTICLE 10. To see what compensation the town will allow persons maintaining street lamps for the ensuing year.

ARTICLE 11. To see if the town will accept of a private way or street as laid out by Mary B. Johnson and Martha Lamson, over their land leading from North street to Cemetery street, being about 51 rods in length, and two rods wide, as a town-way, and make appropriation of a sum of money to construct said town-way suitable for travel over said town-way.

ARTICLE 12. To see if the town will accept the town-way as laid out by the selectmen from Elm street to the passenger station of the Old Colony and N. Y. & N. E. R. R., and appropriate money therefor, upon petition of Chas. D. Hartshorn and others.

ARTICLE 13. To see if the town will authorize the selectmen to sell the pound lot at the junction of Elm and Station streets, or so much of said lot as will not in the opinion of the selectmen be needed for the betterment of said Elm and Station streets, and to construct a "sufficient pound" on the almshouse lot.

ARTICLE 14. To see if the town will accept the town-way as laid out by the selectmen from Stone street to a private way near the Dimond Pond and appropriate money therefor, upon petition of N. W. Fisher and others.

ARTICLE 15. To see if the town will give free of charge the use of its halls in the town house to the G. A. R. Post¹⁵⁷, and to the Women's Relief Corps No. 54, Dep. Mass., for entertainments for the ensuing year.

ARTICLE 16. To make appropriations of such sums of money as may be necessary to defray the expenses of the town not otherwise provided, for the ensuing year.

ARTICLE 17. To raise such sums of money as may be necessary to defray the expenses of the town for the ensuing year.

ARTICLE 18. To see if the town will vote to fix the time within which taxes assessed therein shall be paid. To see if the town will allow a discount on taxes paid on or before that date,

and what interest shall be charged on any taxes remaining unpaid at that date, and fix the compensation of collector of taxes.

ARTICLE 19. To see if the town will vote to authorize the collector, in collecting taxes, to use all means which the treasurer may use when appointed collector.

ARTICLE 20. To see if the town will vote to authorize the treasurer, with the approval of the selectmen, to borrow money in anticipation of taxes of the next ensuing year, and to issue notes of the town therefor, and the debts incurred under the authority of this vote are hereby made payable from said taxes.

ARTICLE 21. To hear and act upon the report of any committee, and to choose any committee the town may think proper

ARTICLE 22. To determine the manner of warning future town meetings.

And you are directed to serve this warrant by posting attested copies thereof, one at each of the post-offices, and in not less than ten other public places in said town, seven days, at least, before the time set for said meeting. Hereof fail not, and make due return of this warrant with your doings thereon to the town clerk, at the time and place of meeting, as aforesaid.

Given under our hands this fourteenth day of February, in the year one thousand eight hundred and eighty-nine.

ARTHUR N. CRAM,
JULIUS GUILD,
SAMUEL BIRD,

Selectmen of Walpole.

REPORT
OF THE
SCHOOL COMMITTEE

OF THE
TOWN OF WALPOLE,
FOR THE YEAR 1888.

SCHOOL COMMITTEE.

CHARLES S. BIRD.

MYRON H. PIPER.

ROBERT S. GRAY.

FREDERIC GUILD.

HERBERT M. PLIMPTON.

ELBRIDGE P. BOYDEN.

SUPERINTENDENT.

G. H. DANFORTH.

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REPORT OF SCHOOL COMMITTEE.

To the Citizens of Walpole:—

After the March meeting your Committee organized by choosing Alton H. Kimball, Chairman, and Myron H. Piper, Secretary. On the resignation of Mr. Kimball from the Board, due to a change of residence, the vacancy thus caused was filled by the election of Herbert M. Plimpton, by joint vote of the Selectmen and School Committee, as provided by law. Since the term of office of a member thus appointed expires with the year in which he is chosen, you will be called upon to elect, in March, one member for two years, with the usual two members for three years each.

Chapter 431 of the Acts of the State Legislature of 1888 provides as follows:—

1. Any two or more towns the valuation of each of which does not exceed two million five hundred thousand dollars, and the aggregate number of schools in all of which is not more than fifty nor less than thirty, may, by vote of the several towns, unite for the purpose of the employment of a superintendent of schools under the provisions of this act.

2. When such a union has been effected, the school committees of the towns comprising the union shall form a joint committee, and for the purposes of this act said joint committee shall be held to be the agents of each town comprising the union. Said committee shall meet annually in joint convention in the month of April, at a day and place agreed upon by the chairman of the committees of the several towns comprising the union, and shall organize by the choice of a chairman and secretary. They shall choose, by ballot, a superintendent of schools; determine the relative amount of service to be performed by him in each town; fix his salary, and apportion the amount thereof to be paid by the several towns, and certify such amount to the treasurer of each town.

STATE AID FOR SUPERINTENDENTS.

3. Whenever the chairman and secretary of such joint committee shall certify to the state auditor, under oath, that a union has been effected as herein provided, that the towns, in addition to an amount equal to the average of the total sum paid by the several towns for schools during the three years next preceding, unitedly have raised by taxation and appro-

priated a sum not less than seven hundred and fifty dollars for the support of a superintendent of schools, and that under the provisions of this act a superintendent of schools has been employed for one year, a warrant shall be drawn upon the treasurer of the Commonwealth for the payment of one thousand dollars, one-half of which amount shall be paid for the salary of such superintendent, and the remaining one-half shall be apportioned and distributed on the basis of the average public school attendance of the towns forming such district for the year next preceding, which amount shall be paid for the salaries of teachers employed in the public schools within such district.

4. A sum not exceeding twelve thousand five hundred dollars shall be annually appropriated for the purposes of this act.

Since May 1st, 1888, the towns of Walpole and Bridgewater, each with a valuation less than two and a half millions of dollars, and together having more than thirty and less than fifty schools, have employed the same superintendent of schools at a salary exceeding the minimum prescribed by the above law.

On May 29, 1888, the above law went into effect, and money was appropriated to carry out its provisions. Both towns thereafter voted to unite "for the purpose of employing a superintendent of schools under the provisions of Chapter 431 of the Acts of 1888," and directed their school committees to take all steps necessary to obtain the benefit of said act.

On September 29th a joint meeting of the school committees of the two towns was held, and all action was taken which this law prescribes. There is some doubt about our ability to secure State aid for the time preceding April, 1889, since the act provides that the joint meeting of the two committees shall take place in April of each year. However, we are in a position to take advantage of the promised benefits for the year following; and since the legislature which passed the law in May appropriated money to carry it into immediate effect, it would seem that it was not intended to make the date of the joint meeting (April) a vital condition for the year 1888, at least.

It will be seen from the financial report that no appropriation has been overdrawn. In repairs, the sum needed was lessened by the action of the town in remodeling the East school-house, a special appropriation being made. By close economy the expenditure for supplies was kept within the limit, though the rental of a piano for the High School took sixty dollars from the amount available for general supplies.

It may be of interest here to compare the expenditures for supplies during the last three years:

1886,	Appropriation,	\$1,000.	Expenditures,	\$908.58.
1887,	"	600.	"	595.90.
1888,	"	550.	"	548.07.

For comparison with previous years, the last sum should be decreased by sixty dollars (rental of piano not included in other years), leaving \$488.07.

For 1889, we would recommend that the following appropriations be made:

I.	Salaries of superintendent and teachers, fuel, care of school-houses,	\$8,000.
II.	Repairs,	250.
III.	Supplies and incidentals,	790.

It is estimated that \$550 will be required for general supplies, the introduction of drawing into the schools necessitating an increased expenditure over that of the past year. And we think it wise to purchase the High School piano at this time, when the full amount of rent paid to date can be credited to the purchase money. The \$240 required for this purpose, with the \$550 mentioned above, make the \$790 asked for.

We respectfully call your attention to the report of the Superintendent of Schools which is herewith transmitted.

CHARLES S. BIRD,
MYRON H. PIPER,
ROBERT S. GRAY,
FREDERICK GUILD,
ELBRIDGE P. BOYDEN,
HERBERT M. PLIMPTON.

SUPERINTENDENT'S REPORT.

Gentlemen of the School Committee:—

The report of your Superintendent of Schools, for the year 1888, is herewith submitted. In preparing it, it has been my aim to place on record any important changes made during the year; to point out what seem our chief needs, and to give such other information as may interest the citizens of the town, that all may know something of the aim and spirit of our school work, even if unable to make themselves familiar with it by constant personal observation. Such a report as this, however, even if it accomplishes all it attempts, cannot remove the necessity for frequent inspection by all thoughtful and earnest citizens of the town, who are vitally interested that our schools should do their work wisely and efficiently; for only in a community where the home and the school are in closest relations of mutual helpfulness can the best results of a wise liberality in school expenditure be attained. We who do the school work of the town court the closest inspection of our work; and while we are fully aware that it is not as good as better workers could make it, nor as thorough as we ourselves can make it in the future, we do desire that it be seen by all, and receive the stimulus which always comes from the manifest interest of the thoughtful persons in a community.

During the past year nine hundred and ten visits to our schools have been recorded. A considerable number of these visits has been made by non-residents who have come to inspect our work. A much larger share has been due to the presence of parents and friends on public days by special invitation. But the every-day visits of citizens dropping in unexpectedly to see every-day work, and encouraging pupils and teachers by the display of genuine interest, is what we most need, and chiefly lack. My only excuse for dwelling upon this subject every year is its prime importance.

TEACHERS.

We have been fortunate in having but a small number of changes in our corps of teachers during the year. From the East

Grammar we lost by death a teacher who had given to the town two years of earnest, faithful work. Sickness caused the resignation of one teacher at the Centre, and from another room in the same building two teachers have gone to positions where more money was offered than we could afford to pay. This completes the list of changes, so far as the regular corps is concerned, though a change in

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at the South School has added a new name to those found on our list a year ago. That school has been steadily growing in numbers, until it now enrolls as many pupils as do the North and East schools each. Since the first of May it has been found necessary to give it an extra teacher, to make it as efficient as it should be. A division has been made into Grammar and Primary departments (as at the two other above-mentioned schools), but the added teacher has been made an assistant to the regular teacher before in charge, and works under her immediate direction. While such an arrangement undoubtedly adds to the cost of the school, that will be more than offset by the gain in efficiency; and nothing less was due that section of the town, if it was to enjoy the same advantages accorded to the other outlying communities. The West is now our only ungraded school, but the number of its pupils is such that one teacher can do excellent work there.

BUILDINGS.

One change only has been made during the year, but that has been so good a one, and the benefits sure to result from it are so many, that it calls for special mention. The East building, with its one fair room and one exceedingly bad, with its wood stoves and inadequate ventilation, has been transformed into an excellent building with two modern school-rooms, well equipped with all needed accessories, well heated, lighted and ventilated, and supplied with a cemented cellar, in which, apart from the furnace and fuel room, is adequate space for an indoor play-ground in inclement weather. The grounds, too, have been increased in size, and when put in proper condition will vie with those of the Centre School in the excellent provision made for out-of-door recreation. The people of the East district are to be congratulated.

lated on the change which has given them what was so much needed; and no citizen of the town but should take pride in a work of such importance.

It may seem to some that it is yet too soon to talk of further expenditure in this direction, and I have no desire to make too great haste even in good works. But I should fail in my duty did I not point out the fact that some such change as was necessary at the East is only one degree less imperatively demanded at the North, where the children of the primary department are housed in quarters which are exceedingly inadequate, and in which proper heating and ventilation are well-nigh impossible.

In this connection I must call your attention to the

CENTRE SCHOOL.

This building, as I am informed, was designed to be heated in part, at least, by indirect radiation, *i. e.*, fresh air taken from outside and warmed over steam coils, or by similar means, was to be introduced into each room by large pipes, and the foul air carried off by flues opening one from the corner of each room. This air so introduced was to be still further warmed, after reaching the rooms, by contact with steam pipes running along three sides of each. In the interest of decreased expenditures, (in the light of our experience since then it would hardly be termed true economy,) the feature of indirect radiation was dropped out, and reliance placed upon steam pipes in the rooms as the sole means of heating. Unfortunately, not only was the supply of fresh warmed air thus sacrificed, but the flues for taking out bad air were left in such shape as to destroy in large measure their usefulness. Each of these two flues is triangular, has a chimney passing up along the middle of one side, and communicates with four rooms (two on each floor), by eight large registers. In the absence of adequate means for maintaining a steady upward draught through these flues, they work (when they work at all) in a most erratic way, now upward, now downward, and never in accordance with any law which I have been able to discover for the guidance of teachers in their use. I have experimented carefully in all the rooms and found that the conditions vary in different rooms, and in the same room with changes in the direction and force of the wind, now giving a fair upward draught, and on gusty days reversing it at the

will of the wind. With four rooms thus connected by a common flue and that flue working in no constant manner, bad air from one room easily finds its way to others, and all the noises of one school-room find easy access to others thus directly connected with it.

Briefly, we have no means of getting an adequate supply of fresh air which shall be warmed before it enters these school-rooms. But fresh air must be introduced, if not warm, then cold; and as this cold air can only come in through the flues (which ought to work the other way if they are to fulfil their mission of removing vitiated air,) or the windows, we have been forced to open windows. Teachers are instructed to completely change the air of rooms at recess and after each session; to provide for a constant inflow of fresh air during a session without creating a draught to blow upon pupils; and on such windy days as make this impossible, to open the windows for perhaps a minute or two, giving children meanwhile vigorous physical exercise for five or six minutes to guard them from all dangers during the time the windows are open and while the air is being warmed after the windows have been shut. Where this has been done with never-failing good judgment, many of the ill effects of bad air have been avoided without improper exposure of the children. But, with the best of intentions and an earnest desire to do all their duty, teachers in the midst of other work are liable to do this less regularly and carefully than they ought, and when the consequences are experienced in the form of colds contracted by pupils, and complaints sent in by parents, they are strongly tempted to guard against both by letting their children suffer the ill effects of bad air in the school-room.

One thing deserves to be noticed here. Many colds contracted by school children are due to carelessness in going out from the rooms without proper wraps more than to exposure in the rooms. In the coldest weather I see children going to the out-buildings without their out-door wraps. Teachers should insist that this should cease, and enforce their commands strictly.

I have dwelt upon this subject because it has seemed most fitting that our citizens should clearly understand the conditions under which we labor. More complaints relating to this matter have reached me during the year than from all other causes combined. If the town is not in a position to make needed changes

at present, we shall strive to make the best of present conditions until such time as action can be taken. Meantime I trust that all cases which seem to show faulty management by school authorities will be reported directly to the Superintendent.

HIGH SCHOOL.

Last year the work of this school was dwelt upon at considerable length, proposed changes were outlined, and its double course of study presented. Its work for the year has followed the lines then indicated, the transition from the old to the new courses has been going on successfully, and it is now expected that in September next all the classes of the school will be conforming to the new order of things. The teachers of this school deserve credit for their skilful performance of a difficult and somewhat complicated task.

The work of increasing the reference library of the school and providing the needed equipment for good science work has advanced steadily, and I hope to be able to announce ere long that our collections of common plants and minerals are adequate to our needs. It should be remembered that what we have has been acquired in the last year and a half, and I think the showing is a creditable one in view of the short time and the small expenditure of money.

In June six pupils were graduated from the school, the graduation exercises being held in the Town Hall on the evening of June 28. The programme will be found appended to this report. The graduates whose names appear upon it all received diplomas certifying their completion of the regular course, the English course not having been in operation long enough to furnish any graduates.

NO RECESS.

The plan of having no afternoon recess, in successful operation throughout the year at the Centre, was adopted for the East and South in the last term. Both these schools, like the Centre, now have a noon intermission of an hour and a half, which allows pupils who dine or lunch at home at that time to do so without unreasonable hurry. At the North and West, where most pupils living at a distance bring lunches, the old conditions are still maintained.

PUPIL TEACHERS.

The two young women from our High School who entered the Centre building in this capacity in September, 1887, served continuously until called to the South as assistants in the spring of 1888, one succeeding the other, who was offered a position elsewhere. Still another came to us in October, 1888, and still remains. Last year I called the notice of High School graduates to this partial means of training offered, and if any are thinking of the matter now I would invite their attention to what was then said, and request them to make known their intention at an early date.

ATTENDANCE.

The table of statistics, giving the facts of attendance, etc., for 1888, will be found in its usual place. It calls for but few comments. For convenience of comparison, the totals for 1887 are placed below those of the last year. It will be seen that while the average membership has increased but sixteen, the average attendance is larger by twenty-one, and the per cent. of attendance has risen from ninety to ninety-two. There has been a gratifying decrease of two hundred and fifty-seven in the number of tardinesses, giving a decrease in the ratio of tardiness to average daily attendance from three and forty-eight hundredths to two and fifty-six hundredths. But one room has fallen behind its last year's record. The West School has made the largest relative gain, closely followed by Centre C Primary. The total gain is very commendable, and I trust that active work by teachers and thoughtful co-operation by parents will cause this good work to go on until all avoidable tardiness has been cut off. When that point is reached our record will prove a pleasing contrast to what it has been in the past, to what it is now.

Of truancy we have only occasional cases, and I think no confirmed truants. Causes of absence are uniformly ascertained by teachers, and all doubtful cases carefully investigated. The relatively large number of cases in 1887 came from the Centre School, over some of whose pupils a circus which pitched its tents close at hand exercised too strong a fascination. Mercifully spared a repetition of that experience, the truancy there has shrunk to its normal proportions.

COMPULSORY ATTENDANCE.

We have still some parents who need to learn that the law requires a yearly attendance of at least twenty weeks by every child between eight and fourteen years of age, and imposes a fine on parents who fail to conform to its reasonable and wise demand. Unfortunately for the prejudice against vaccination held by some, another law provides that no child who has not been properly vaccinated shall be received or retained in any school. The failures to conform to both laws (they will be found in full in my report for 1887) are not numerous, but full obedience should be exacted. In accordance with your desire, I have taken active measures to enforce the laws; some cases have already been corrected, and the few which remain have received proper notice and will be subjects for your prompt action, when, as will be the case in a short time unless parents act meantime, the offence is completed by the detention of children from school beyond the time allowed by the law.

EMPLOYMENT OF CHILDREN.

Since the publication of last year's report, the law upon this subject has been radically changed. In brief, the present law forbids:

1. *For children under thirteen years of age,*
 - a. employment at any time in any factory, workshop, or mercantile establishment;
 - b. employment in any other indoor work for wages, during the hours when the public schools are in session;
 - c. employment during school hours in any manner unless the child has attended school twenty weeks in the year preceding such employment.

2. *For children under fourteen years of age,*
 - a. employment in any manner before 6 A.M. or after 7 P.M.

And it further declares that every person who employs children over thirteen and under sixteen years of age,

1. in any factory, workshop, or mercantile establishment (*except* during vacation);
2. in any other indoor work for wages (during the hours when public schools are session),

must keep on file a list of such children so employed, with the prescribed Employment Ticket and Certificate of each.

The blank forms for the above documents are here given.

EMPLOYMENT TICKET.

LAW OF 1888.

When

height , complexion ,
hair , presents a certificate duly signed,
I intend to employ
Signed :

Walpole, Mass.

AGE AND SCHOOLING CERTIFICATE.

LAW OF 1888.

This Certifies that I am the.....

of , and that
was born at :....., in the County
of , and State of ,
on the , and is now old.

Signed :

Walpole, , 18.....

Then personally appeared before me the above-named
and made oath that the foregoing certificate
by signed is true, to the best of knowledge and belief. I hereby
approve the foregoing certificate of
height , complexion , hair ,
having no sufficient reason to doubt that is of the age therein certified.

And I hereby certify that can read at sight, and can write legibly,
simple sentences in the English Language, and that has
attended the public day school according to law,
for weeks during the year next preceding this date, and that the
last twenty weeks of such attendance began , 18.....

This certificate expires , 18.....

Signed : SUPERINTENDENT OF SCHOOLS.

WALPOLE , 18.....

The law requires that before any child receives a certificate he must secure an employment ticket properly filled out by his prospective employer. With this ticket, and his father to swear to required facts, (when the father is not a resident of the town the mother or legal guardian must act in his place,) the child presents himself to the Superintendent, who is empowered to administer the necessary oath and give the required certificate. This certificate, with the ticket, must be kept on file by the employer.

Since twenty weeks' attendance each year is not required of children over fourteen, the paragraph in their certificates relating to attendance is stricken out before being signed by the Superintendent, and their certificates never expire. But no certificate can be given to any child, fourteen or more years old, who has not attended school twenty weeks since his thirteenth birthday, if he has been a resident of the town since that time.

It will be seen that the law is framed not only to raise the limit of age under which children may be employed, but to close all the loop-holes for escape from its provisions, which rendered the old law ineffectual in many cases.

This law went into effect July 1, 1888. In September, an abstract of its provisions, and blank employment tickets, were furnished all the known employers of child labor. In two cases only have violations of the law been discovered, one employer stating to the inspector that no children under sixteen were employed, though two were afterwards found there, and another neglecting to have an employee who proved entitled to a certificate procure one. In both cases the law is now conformed to, and it will not, I think, be found burdensome to those who take the little trouble necessary to conform to its requirements.

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For more than two years now, under the present management, we have steadily pursued the policy of doing a few things until we could do them well, declining to attempt a wider range of work until success in present work should justify a reasonable hope that we could enlarge our field without lessening our efficiency. During this time there has been a steady growth in power by our teachers, who have labored earnestly to raise the standard of their work. In reading, writing, arithmetic, and all forms of language work, our methods and results have steadily improved:

geography and history have been lifted out of the one-book rut and are now taught in accordance with an intelligent topical plan, in a manner to secure valuable and lasting results. And the time has now come, I think, when we may safely enlarge the scope of our work, with confidence in our power to do justice to both the old and the new.

Two subjects have for some time stood ready to be grafted upon our course of study, the merits of which, as means of training, few intelligent persons will question. Both are successfully taught in the best modern schools, and both have justified the confidence of those who have labored to secure their introduction. These subjects are drawing and music. If our teachers were proficient in both branches, and if we could command the services of special instructors to lay out the work and superintend the efforts of our regular teachers—and these are the conditions under which the best results are achieved in the larger and wealthier towns and cities—it would be wise for us to introduce both into our schools without delay. But the majority of our teachers are not so trained, and we have no means of securing specialists for the work. It therefore seems the part of wisdom to make haste very slowly, undertaking no more than we can reasonably hope to perform. We must therefore make a choice; and while both these branches are of great importance, I have no hesitation in saying that drawing should receive our preference at this time. Music must await its turn, which will come in due season if our efforts to establish drawing are successful. Meantime it can properly receive attention only here and there, when the special knowledge of a teacher enables her to accomplish something without robbing her other work.

DRAWING.

With the approval of your Board, steps tending to the introduction of this study into our schools were taken before the summer vacation. The regular Thursday meetings were largely devoted to the study of form by teachers, with the two-fold object in view of gaining a knowledge of the work to be done and the method of doing it. This work was continued in the autumn, and much valuable instruction was given teachers by Mr. Bailey, agent of the State Board of Education, and special instructor in this department, who gave us a series of talks on drawing. Necessary

models and supplies were procured, and the year ends with these in active use in all our schools. It is, of course, too early to talk of results achieved, but we propose to keep clearly in mind the true educational object of our work, and to let no desire for display turn us from it.

LANGUAGE.

An important part of our school work is the training of children in the right use of English, giving them the power to express their thoughts clearly in good language, oral and written. For many years it was held that an exhaustive study of technical grammar, begun in the early years and carried through the course, was the best means to secure the desired end. But experience has shown that after many years of such drill, pupils who could glibly recite the rules of the grammar and analyze complicated sentences with considerable success, were still extremely weak in the use of language, lacking the power to speak and write good English.

Modern language work concerns itself with the art of expression, and aims to secure a correct use of English by placing before the child correct models for his study and imitation, to ensure fluency by constant drill in speaking and writing. Where the work is well done, pupils show great proficiency in putting their thoughts into good oral or written English long before they are taught to recognize the parts of speech, as such, or give the technical rules for the use of particular forms in certain relations. The few rules that are needed are derived by the child himself from a multitude of examples, and are his own clear statements of what he has observed to be always true under certain conditions. The study of technical grammar, the science of language, is reserved for later school-life, when the child has acquired by practice a familiar acquaintance with, and the power to practically use, the mother tongue.

The following suggestive lines of work in language, prepared for a teachers' institute to which the teachers of Walpole were invited in November, will give some idea of what we are now doing in our schools, with a hint of the method employed. Each grade has its share of this work definitely marked out, that teachers may know just what is expected of them, and closely connect their work with what precedes and what follows it.

SPELLING.

How? 1. Teach orally the meaning of each new word. (Older pupils use dictionary.) 2. Require use of, in original oral sentences which clearly show meaning. 3. Have form learned by copying many times. 4. Have child write from teacher's dictation. 5. Require use of, in original written sentences.

What? 1. Special names: child's own; of town, school, teacher, days, months, seasons, etc. 2. New words from reading and other lessons (including proper names from geography and history). 3. Groups of words from speller, (e. g., materials used in cooking; parts of a carriage; common trees; etc.)

PUNCTUATION.

How? 1. Teacher and class discuss correct model; child copy same. 2. Child write original sentences with same punctuation. 3. Child write similar sentences from teacher's dictation.

What? Date. John has a dog. Are you going home? What a fine day it is! Sunday, Monday, and Tuesday are the first three days of the week. "How old is he?" asked the man. (Reverse.) John replied: "He is ten years old." (Reverse.) "Come to-morrow," said the man, "and I will give you work." Has the horse stopped, Mr. Brown? (Reverse.) Our teacher, Miss Smith, is always cheerful.

Also, use of hyphen to divide syllables at end of a line; period in abbreviations and Roman numerals; special punctuation of letters and business forms; note use of apostrophe in possessives and contractions.

DIFFERENT FORMS OF SAME WORD.

How? 1. Teacher provide model sentences; child copy same. 2. Child write similar sentences, using proper forms of given words. 3. Child fill blanks in given sentences with proper forms of given words.

What? 1. Models: John has one *rabbit*. I have two *rabbits*. Child use in similar sentences: cap, clock, slate, etc.—box, watch, prize, etc.—half, leaf, knife, etc.—ox, mouse, man, etc.—chimney, monkey, etc.—baby, pony, etc.—sheep, trout, cannon, etc.

2. Models: John owns the book. It is *John's* book. Men wear boots. The *men's* boots are heavy. Boys should have clean faces. The *boys' faces* are clean.

Child use similarly (both singular and plural) : girl, horse, Henry, etc.—woman, mouse, goose, etc.

3. Models: I *see* him now. I *saw* him yesterday. I shall *see* him to-morrow. I have *seen* him.

Child use similarly most common verbs, irregular and regular.

4. Models: Sentences showing correct use of all forms of the verb *to be*, especially the following : John and Mary *are* at home. Neither John nor Mary *is* at school. Either John or Mary *was* sent. Which kind of apples *is* sweetest? Similar sentences showing correct use of the verb *to have*.

Child fill blanks in given sentences with proper forms chosen from given words.

5. Models: He is not here. He *isn't* here. Similar sentences for all common contractions. Child re-write given sentences (full form) using proper contractions. Reverse.

6. Models: Sentences using pronouns as subject, in predicate after intransitive verbs, as object of transitive verb or preposition ; especially: John and *I* are good friends. He gave it to John and *me*. *Whom* did you see? To *whom* did you send it? The boy *whom* you saw is lame. The horse *which* you sold has just passed. (Distinguish between who, which, that.) Also possessive forms.

Child fill blanks in given sentences with words chosen from given list.

7. Models: John is *tall*. James is *taller* than John. Of the three Henry is *tallest*. Sentences showing use of more and most.

Child use in similar sentences, bright and dull ; generous and selfish ; good and bad ; other opposites of each class.

Teach comparison of adverbs similarly. Distinguish between use of adjectives and adverbs.

HOMONYMS.

How? 1. Teach meaning, form and use (spelling) separately. 2. Child re-write model sentences, choosing correct word. 3. Child put two or more given homonyms into one original sentence.



What? Models: He (through, threw) the ball (through threw) the window. He (ate, eight) (ate, eight) apples. That is (to, too, two) far (too, two, to) run in (to, two, too) minutes. Teacher supply most common homonyms, as above.

In like manner teach pupils correct use of sit and set, lie and lay, etc.

DESCRIPTIONS.

1. Of simple actions performed by teacher or some pupil.
2. Of simple objects, observed and discussed (orally) by children and teacher.
3. Of pictures, with or without previous discussion.

STORIES.

1. Of child's own experience.
2. From picture.
3. From suggestive outline, sentence, or word.
4. Without such aids.

REPRODUCTIONS FROM MEMORY.

1. Story read by teacher or class.
2. Lessons in geography, history, etc. (with and without topics.)

POETRY.

1. Write from memory.
2. Change to prose.

LETTERS.

Special drill in heading, address (single and double), subscription, superscription.

Simple letters of friendship; acknowledging gifts; ordering goods; of invitation (informal and formal, with answer); of introduction; of recommendation; from interesting localities (child write as a traveler); describing historical events (child write as an actual observer).

BUSINESS FORMS.

Teach from printed forms: Bills for goods bought (1. Dr. 2. Dr. and Cr. items); milk-bills; for labor performed; for rent, etc. Receipts for money received on account; in full; for labor; for rent. Promissory notes. Bank checks. Order for goods.

ADVERTISEMENTS.

Teach from newspaper clippings: Advertisement for articles lost or found; for situation; for help wanted. Answers to each.

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Only a word more, in closing. No system of schools ever was or ever will be as good as its best friends could wish to see it. With the ideal in mind, we labor to make the actual as nearly like it as possible, but have to confess freely how far short of it we fall. Looking the facts squarely in the face, no clear-headed school-worker is ever in danger of becoming too self-satisfied, over-confident. That folly is left to the man or woman of small powers or low aims. On the other hand, we are not wise if we fail to put a just value on the real gains which we make, if we let the knowledge of our shortcomings discourage increased efforts for improvement.

The teachers of Walpole, looking back on their past work and comparing it with the present, have a right to feel a little proud of the progress made, ought to be encouraged by what has already been accomplished. But I greatly misjudge their good sense and their honest devotion to their calling, if they find in the gain they have made any resason for relaxing their exertions. On the contrary, I fully expect to see them take up the new year's work with even more energy and zeal than they have before shown, to find them constantly growing in a knowledge of their duties, and a belief in the dignity and responsibility of their calling. Recognizing the value of their past work and believing in their future, I bespeak for them the hearty sympathy and encouragement of your Board and the community.

G. H. DANFORTH.

REPORT OF ATTENDANCE, ETC., FOR 1888.

SCHOOLS.	TEACHERS.*	Whole different pupils differently numbered and attending classes.	Average number of children daily attending classes.	Per cent. of tardy attendance.	Pro portion of tardiness, pro portion daily average attendance.	Cases of tru- ancy and cases of daily absence.	Vists.†
High.....	{ F. W. Kendall, Principal, H. E. Hutchinson,	50	43	40	94	76	1.90
Centre A and B Grammar.....	Annie N. Keene.....	45	38	36	94	136	3.77
C and D	Annie L. Bird	50	44	41	93	99	2.41
A and B Primary	Lena F. Adams	67	54	49	92	86	1.75
C	Amy L. Boyden	33	28	26	91	37	1.42
D	Grace D. Parker	93	44	39	89	135	3.49
North Grammar.....	Lizzie Evans	20	19	19	95	27	1.42
Primary	Ella A. Hartshorn	38	22	21	93	32	1.52
East Grammar.....	Ellen M. Duffield	27	22	20	94	54	2.70
Primary	Lizzie P. Bird	30	19	17	90	64	3.76
South Grammar.....	{ Mabel A. Jepson, Principal, Anna M. Rhoades	28	20	18	90	78	4.33
Primary	Helen R. Stanley	29	20	18	89	72	4.00
West, ungraded.....		29	18	16	89	29	1.81
Totals for 1888		539	392	360.	92	925	2.56
Totals for 1887		521	376	339	90	1182	3.48

* Centre A and B Grammar was taught by Annie G. Carpenter, January to February; by A. Marion Dow, March to November, was taught by Ellen B. Marsh, January to February, East Grammar was taught by Cora M. Chamberlain, January to June.

† Visits of Committee and Superintendent not included.

Centre D Primary
Emily W. Cham-

Graduating Exercises.

WALPOLE HIGH SCHOOL,

CLASS OF 1888.

TOWN HALL, THURSDAY EVENING, JUNE 28TH,

AT EIGHT O'CLOCK.

GRADUATES.

CHARLES METCALF ALLEN,

MARY ALICE KIVLIN,

FRANK ELLWOOD COBURN,

EDNA WINIFRED MARSH,

GEORGE EDSON EVERETT,

MARTHA ELEANOR PARK.

"Boutez en avant."

Program.

1. Hop-Picker's Song, SCHOOL
2. The Natural Features of Walpole, CHAS. M. ALLEN
3. ESSAY— "My Picture Gallery," MARTHA E. PARK
4. The Agricultural Features of Walpole,
FRANK E. COBURN
5. PIANO SOLO, EVA D. PICKERING
6. READING— "How we Hunted a
Mouse," MARY A. KIVLIN
7. The Manufactures of Walpole, GEO. E. EVERETT
8. VALEDICTORY ESSAY—"Ruins,"
EDNA W. MARSH
9. PRESENTATION OF DIPLOMAS.
10. PARTING SONG, SCHOOL